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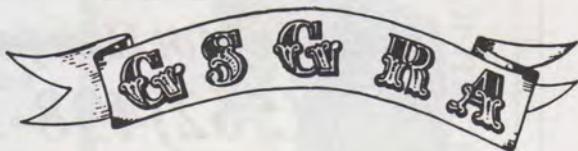


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CAPITAL CROSSROADS



THE  
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NEWSLETTER  
OF



# Getting in the Mood

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**1997 LOS ANGELES  
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AND COUNTRY FAIR  
April 11, 12 and 13



**FEBRUARY 97**

# **GREATER SAN DIEGO CHAPTER**

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

Did you know that the headgear for riding comes from England, that a William Coke produced the headgear. And some of our fashions may be traced back to man and horse, as in the most formal evening wear, the tails suit, was the hacking jacket of some 175 years ago. The front was cut away so that the knees of the wearer should not become entangled while his feet were in the stirrups. The stripes down the sides of the pants are all the remain of a fly down the leg, which allowed them to be closely buttoned in the manner of breeches. The trails are divided to fall comfortably on each side of the horse.

Looking for some fun? What do a of neat thing? What to meet some interesting folks? What to get down and dirty? What to play with some animals?. It's as easy as just calling the **RODEO** office and seeing what you can do.

## **CAMP-OUT IN AUG.**

The Event people are currently planning at camp-out at Rick's Ranch for Aug 8-9-10. They say the there will be midnight bedchecks, swimming, games, prize's for the best camp-site, best Camp-Out fit, and just few surprise's, so plan on be there, it is only \$10.00 per night per person.

## **YOUR BEST GUESS:**

### **"RODEO"**

1. breaking in a horse.
2. riding a cow
3. getting sheep dressed
4. dragging a steer
5. a get-together of people
6. a round-up of cows

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## **DATES TO MARK:**

- Mar 3:** Board Meeting  
5 General Membership!  
15 Party at Don and Rick's  
16 Play-day at Kicker's  
18 Roundtable  
31 Board Meeting
- Apr 2** General Membership  
5 Spa Party at Larry Rose's  
15 Roundtable  
19 **G.S.G.R.A. convention**  
State Line. (Primm,NV.)
- May 5** Board Meeting  
7 General Membership  
20 Roundtable  
26 Swim Party Don and Rick's
- June 2** Board Meeting  
4 General Membership  
8 Playday at Kicker's  
14 Dan and Charles party  
17 Roundtable
- All meetings are at 7:pm (unless noted), At the **RODEO** Office.  
Party's are at times in the next

## **MISS PEARLS (AKA HILIARY) HAS THE UPCOMING EVENTS: 15 MARCH. ST.PATRICK'S DAY PARTY**

At the home of Don and Rick. From 7pm till dawn. (just kidding.. to see if you read this or not) Food and drink provided by who else: **THE CHAPTER**. Phone to get there.274-3246

**16 March Playday at KICKER'S**  
Playday at Kicker's will be from 5-8:pm also there will a membership drive . Nancy is looking to get some a lot of people sign up at this event. Also there will **RODEO** merchandise on sale, Games, Drink, and a lot of fun. All this fun for just \$5.00 Soda or beer. Clay is looking for people to help so, if you would like to help just grab Clay(he likes that)

Miss Pearls does want each and everyone of you to come-out and enjoy these events "and don't piss me off..." also there will be more each month. So look here for all the events and just maybe some good old fashion gossip.

# Bay Area Chapter



IN THE SADDLE

## 6th Regional Rodeo

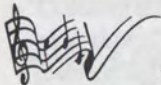
Santa Clara County Fairgrounds  
May 30 - June 1, 1997

Host Hotel: Hyatt, San Jose, at the Airport  
(800) 233-1234  
(408) 993-1234

3 MONTHS UNTIL WE RODEO!!!

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 3/2 \* Annual, Tri-Tip BBQ, Rodeo Round-up & Beer Bust @ SF Eagle, 3-7pm  
3/13 Rodeo Beer Bust @ The Edge, 8-11pm  
3/23 Rodeo Beer Bust @ Cinch on Polk St., 3-7pm  
3/29 Rodeo Beer Bust @ Lone Star Saloon, 3-7pm, \$6  
  
5/3 Rodeo Beer Bust @ SF Eagle from 8-11pm, \$6  
5/16 Rodeo Party & Beer Bust @ Turf Club, Hayward, 6-9pm, \$5  
5/30-6/1 BAY AREA REGIONAL RODEO, San Jose  
  
7/12-13 Cowboy Camp Western Weekend, Sierra Foothills  
\* Rodeo Roundtable planning meetings: 1st Thursday of Each Month @ Hyatt 7:30 p.m.  
\*\* Chapter Meetings: 3rd Thursday of Each Month @ Hyatt 7:30 p.m.



Ms. Winnie Baygo captured the hearts of leather men and cowboys at Daddy's in San Francisco at the recent SFBAC Rodeo Beer Bust on Jan. 23rd.  
If you missed her...just wait until the really big show on Sunday, March 2nd at the SF Eagle BBQ & Rodeo Round-up.

Special thanks to BAC superstars: Ms. Sheba McIntire (DLC) & Mr. Tom McGovern.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS  
to help with the MARCH 2nd  
SF EAGLE BBQ & RODEO ROUND-UP  
Watch the patio become a "rodeo dude ranch"  
Call the hotline to be included!



REMEMBER...

- Rodeo Roundtable meetings. (Contact Brad Roberts @ 408-378-6167)
- WANTED: Chapter President & Secretary.
- Do you have a free weekend or evening? Join a great group of friends and become a volunteer!

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1997 Rodeo!



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Clint Johnson

## Stop the Presses

OK....pay attention and,  
please change your calendars:

### March 14 & 15

Sacramento Western Weekend - Entertainment, BBQ & Auctions  
March 14 @ Faces New Resort on the Sacramento River  
March 15 @ Faces Downtown

This weekend will take lots of work and assistance. All need entertainers, help with the BBQ and items for the auction.

### March 20

8-11pm  
Rodeo Beer Bust @ Edge (not 13th)



# LANews

## GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

### Chapter elections set for March 1, May 17

The Greater Los Angeles Chapter membership is scheduled to vote at the March 1 meeting in Los Angeles on our 1997-98 representatives to the state board of directors.

In past years, we'd have held this election at the same time we voted on our chapter executive officers.

But the board felt it was best to hold elections for president, vice presidents, treasurer and secretary after the rodeo. So we've scheduled the election of state board representatives for March and the rest of the elections for May.

(We'll need to make a few bylaw changes — "housekeeping" items — at the March meeting for this to happen. So be there! We'll need quorum!)

The new state board representatives will take office at the end of state convention (scheduled for April 19-20 at Buffalo Bill's in Stateline, Nev.).

Also at the March meeting, we are planning to vote for our 1997 convention spokesman. The spokesman will be the official voice of the chapter during the convention, and may be one of the current reps — Steve Creber,

#### BYLAW CHANGES

- Allows the "Annual Meeting of Members" — when we elect chapter officers — to be held after the rodeo.
- Allows election of state board reps and convention spokesman to be separate from the other elections (we need to do this this year because the state convention is so early).

Michael DeYonker, Andie Joseph or alternate Robert Armend — or someone else.

Nominations for state board representative and for convention spokesman will be taken from the floor, so think about running.

See you there!

#### Trail ride update

Our Jan. 25 trail ride was a fun time for all of the hardy souls who braved the inclement weather and

came out for the event. Many thanks to Sue Downing and Connie Risch for their hard work planning the event!

Now, mark your calen-

dar for a trail ride and barbecue on Saturday, April 26 (two weeks after the rodeo; we'll have rested up by then). Details in next month's newsletter

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## CALENDAR

| S  | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  |
|--|----|--|--|----|----|--|
| 3/2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 3/8 Big Horn Rodeo, Las Vegas              |
| 3/9 Big Horn Rodeo, Las Vegas              | 10 | 11   | 3/12 Coffee klatsch, 7 pm. Park Pantry, Long Beach | 13 | 14 | 15   |
| 3/16                                       | 17 | 18   | 19   | 20 | 21 | 3/22 Saguaro Regional Rodeo, Tucson, Ariz. |
| 3/23 Saguaro Regional Rodeo, Tucson, Ariz. | 24 | 25   | 26   | 27 | 28 | 25   |
| 3/30                                       | 31 | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 4/1 GLAC chapter meeting, Hansen Dam       |
| 4/6  | 7  | 3/11 Coffee klatsch, 7 pm. Park Pantry, Long Beach | 9  | 10 | 11 | 4/12 L.A. Rodeo                            |

## CHAPTER MEETINGS

10 A.M. SAT, MARCH 1 (WITH SPECIAL ELECTION) at the CSW office, 6855 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 200, L.A.

10 A.M. SAT, APRIL 1, at the Hansen Dam Equestrian Center, Lake View Terrace



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Ask not what the Rodeo  
can do for you, ask what you can  
do for the rodeo.

2000 Los Angeles Rodeo posters were distributed last week to Gay and Lesbian businesses in Greater Los Angeles and all over Southern California. Did you see one posted at your favorite watering hole? Was there one on the wall at the video store you stopped at last night? If not, would you ask if they got one and would they put it up. If you know of a location that would like to support the Rodeo, give us a call, we will make sure that a promotional package gets out there real fast.

Do you know of a club that would like to raise some money. We need one more non-profit organization that would like to provide volunteers under the Working Grants Program. Volunteers work in 4-5 hour shifts and the club gets the DONATION.

We will need some help in setting up the rodeo grounds on Thursday and Friday of rodeo weekend. If you would be able to spare a few hours., give us a call, there will be plenty to do.

Paul Thompson is our Volunteer Coordinator and he would love to hear from you if you have a little time to spare and would like to put it to good use. We always have room for more volunteers and there is no more fun way to spend a few hours than lending a hand at the Rodeo, and do some good in the process

FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE REASONS OR  
FOR ANY REASON AT ALL, CALL US ON

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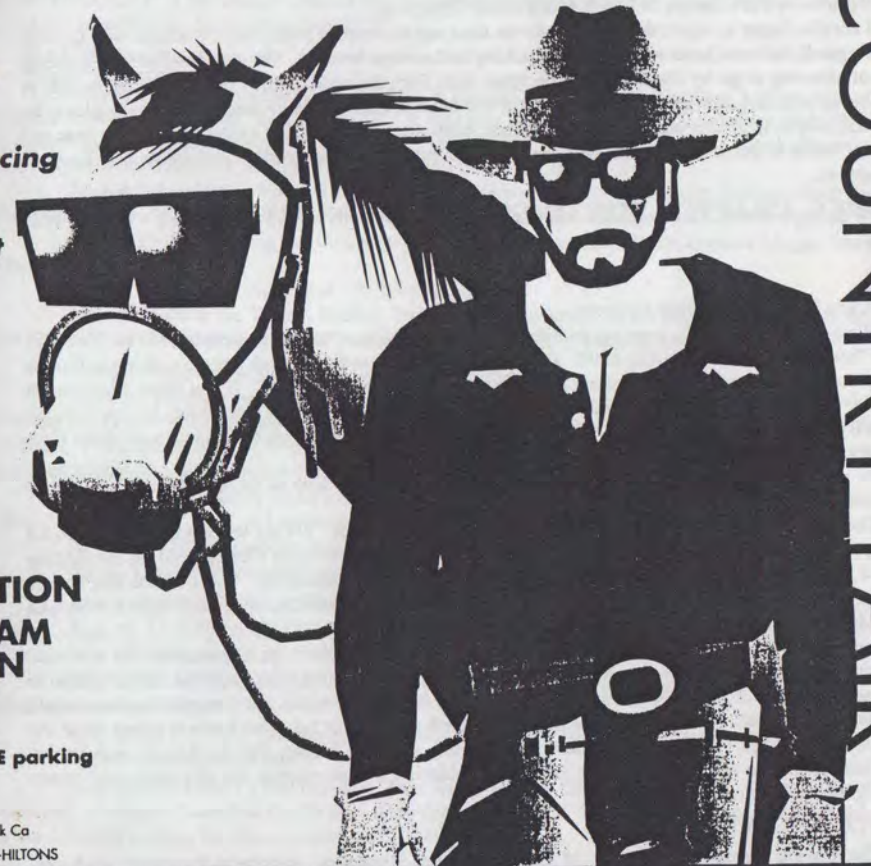
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APRIL 11, 12, AND 13



## CC CHAT PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hopefully this letter finds that you all survived the Holiday Seasons (it seems so long ago) and the New Years rush. I am not sure what happened to January and February, but here we are in March with a lot on our plates and more to come. During the past few months your Board made some new changes to improve our communications. But first, let me step back and mention a few events that most of you were at. The Black-tie and Levi/Wrangler Christmas party was very nice and *Faces* again was very supportive. Special thanks to **Laurie, Nick, Mickey, and Michael!** **Sammy Van Galder** did a tremendous job on the Royalty Sweetheart Dance at faces. A special thanks to **Sheba MacIntred** (last years Ms GSGRA), **David Lyle Carver** (Bay Area Chapter President), and **Amy Griffin** (IGRA vice-president, and my little sister - I still think she is Mom's favorite) in joining us for the event and lending there support. **Alex Waller** has accepted the chair for the *Membership Committee*. Thank you so much Alex for getting our membership roles straightened out! If you know of anyone interested in joining or has questions, she's your gal. To get our calendar going, **Nina Bradeen** has graciously accepted to chair the *Events Committee*. Please give her your support and your ideas both for fun, education, and, oh yes, raising money! I want to acknowledge **Robyn Hayes** and **Sammy Van Galder** for representing our chapter and state so well at the International Finals and look forward to seeing more of them, and you at and in the rodeos. Speaking of which, If we are to host a rodeo in 1998, we have a lot of planning and work to do. I want to dedicate a great deal of time at our next *Chapter meeting* and we need you input, interest, and effort, so please be there **March 18<sup>th</sup>, at FACES BAR! 7:00 p.m.**

I am also happy to report that not only do we have our tax-exempt status, we are official with the IRS (I guess that's good) and now have our very own checking and savings account. We only have about \$9,000 to go and lots of planning to go by August to get the green light from the state to have our own rodeo in '98. A preliminary rodeo planning committee will be set up at the **March 11th Chapter meeting**, so again, please be there!! We will also be finalizing our spring activities and fund-raisers, a few which are tentative at this time and listed above. I want to thank all our members for their patience during the holidays and thank you for your continued support.

## REMEMBER CHAPTER MEETINGS THE SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

### TIDBITS

A few items of last minute business

We as a chapter have to come up with the remaining Monies, as well as some sponsor's for the rodeo that we will "hopefully be having in July 1998. Donations, your time, and support in any way, shape or form is sincerely appreciated. We are also still looking for a place to have the rodeo as well. If you know of anyone in the community that is willing to assist us with this endeavour, please let them know that we are a non-profit, tax exempt organization. Hopefully, this is a plus for them, and us as a chapter as we go hooking up some great folks for the best, and biggest event to come to the northern part of the state!

As well, a great big thank you to all thus far that have stuck with us as we almost begin our second year of operations!!!!!!

There are some vacancies that we need to advise all of you about. We are looking for someone to fill the following positions they are, (1) Bi-Laws Person, (1) Vice President Operations Chapter, and we are looking to nominate a few people to send to the state meetings, to be chapter representatives. This position that will be filled, requires a FULL ONE YEAR COMMITMENT, there are four (4) available. A special election will take place at the March 18<sup>th</sup> chapter meeting.

Lastly, ladies and gentlemen, I would like to ask of all our members, as well as all of the statewide members of this very unique organization: If you have difficulties with someone, who you think will not listen to you, or they will get mad, or pissed off, or hurt, or worse, never talk to you again, ask yourself this, how would you (I) handle that situation? Go and take a few minutes to speak with him or her. Don't talk to others about the problem, (that's gossiping)!!!! That's how rumors get started, and lord knows, that in the gay and lesbian community, rumors are the second worst thing that kills friendships, makes enemies out of people, and breaks bonds that might have been once there for life!

### SASH WATCH - SACRAMENTO

The Capital Crossroads Chapter of GSGRA hosted a member awareness fun night at Faces-Sacramento February 1, 1997. Besides country western dancing, members and patrons alike enjoyed performances by First Runner-up to Mr. GSGRA 1997, **Sammy Van Galder** and First Runner-up to Miss IGRA 1997, **Sheba McIntred**. This was Sammy's first performance since the royalty competition in November 1996 and also at Faces. This will be the third year Sheba has lent her talents and presence at Faces. A great big thanks goes out to Sheba for determination to overcome illness and perform for the crowd that evening. THANK YOU SHEBA.

Another highlight of the fun night was the indoor play rodeo event - "The Pantyhose Push". There were two heats, for lack of time, and two winners. A special thanks goes out to those six people that participated.

## Newsletter of the Capital Crossroads Rodeo Association, a chapter of the Golden State Gay Rodeo Association.

### LET'S GET BUSY, THERE'S SO MUCH GOIN' ON

We have a few changes in the C.C Rodeo chapter they are as follows, we now have a Membership Chairperson, who is Alex Waller, so if you have any questions of your dues, or membership problems, contact her at 916-685-6293. We also have an events coordinator who has graciously accepted this position with no apprehension. Congratulations to our own chapter member Nena!!!! She can be reached at (916) 622-2756 A new Ruling has been implemented for all members attending meetings, and or functions. **You must wear your Name tag to the events, and bring your GSGRA identification card. There is a \$2.50 fine for no name tag, and a \$1.50 fine for no I.D. card. If you do not have one or both, please call Alex Waller, at the above number.**

### UPCOMING EVENTS

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!!! The Monthly meetings are also being changed from their current location. **ALL MEMBERS WILL BE NOTIFIED A.S.A.P. of the change!** ALSO, look for information on a joint Bay Area/ Capital Crossroads Bus trip to Reno scheduled for sometime in July!!!!!!!

### CALENDAR

• **March 1, 1997.** Sacramento's THE BOLT GRAND OPENING!! The New Address of the Bolt is as follows 2560 Boxwood Ave. Sacramento Ca.. It is to now include a FULL BAR including Beer, Wine, and Mixed Drinks!!!! Congratulations "Papa Joe", the Rodeo Chapter thanks you and loves you a bunch!!!!!!!!!!!! CAPITAL CROSSROADS CHAPTER BEER BUST

• **March 7-9** is the Las Vegas Rodeo. For further information on the Bighorn Rodeo contact: toll free 1-(888) 643-6472, or write 2350 S. Jones Blvd. Las Vegas, NV 89102. Contestant deadline is **February 21**.

• **March 15** -Spring Fling and Camptown Races (tentative) co-hosted with Emperor Maggie Moore and her court.

• **March 18** - Chapter meeting at FACES BAR, 7pm

• **March 21-23** is the Tucson Rodeo. For Further information on the Saguaro Regional Rodeo, call (520) 323-0805, or write P.O. Box 40894 Tucson, AZ 85717-0894. Contestant deadline is **March 7**.

• **April 8** Chapter general meeting -----TBA-----

• **April 11-13** is our own Division I Rodeo, the LA RODEO!!! For further information on this rodeo, please call (310) 498-1675, or write 4226 E. 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Long Beach, CA 90804. Contestant deadline is **March 28**. I'm almost positive that they are looking for some strong strappin' hard worken' cattle driven men and women to help 'em out, as well as participate for the weekend.

• **April 19-20** - GSGRA STATE BOARD MEETING. STATELINE, NV. Beer Bust/Fund raiser By NGRA - BACKSTREET BAR, in Las Vegas, NV. Call (702) 385-2018 for directions to the bar.

• **APRIL 25-27** Rodeo in the Rock, Little Rock, Arkansas. Contestant registration is **April 11**.  
• **April** - Capital Crossroads Buck-out (Date to be set).

• **May 3** GSGRA-CCRA 1 YEAR ANNIVERSARY!!!! BBQ/BARN DANCE (TENTATIVE)

• **May 10, 11** GSGRA STATE DANCE CONTEST. Town & Country Hotel, San Diego, CA

• **May 13** Chapter Meeting

• **May 16-18** MIGRA-Detroit Rodeo. Call (313) 438-1305 for further information. Contestant registration deadline is **May 2**.

• **May 23-25** - OGRA - Oklahoma City Rodeo. Call (405) 943-0843 for further information. Contestant registration deadline is **May 9**.

• **May 30, 31, June 1** - GSGRA-Bay Area Rodeo SAN JOSE, CA Call (415) 985-5200 for further information. Contestant Deadline for the Bay Area Rodeo is **May 16**. I'm almost certain that the folks down there are definitely looking for some good help still!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Other dates for upcoming events or activities will be added as they are planned. Watch your calendars for new activities. Plan to attend chapter meetings for most up-to-date schedule.

There is a new deadline for information to be placed in the newsletter. Anyone who wants items placed in the monthly C.C. Rodeo newsletter has to be to Brian Koeber by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month. The newsletter is then approved at the chapter meeting each month.

We now know whose hips have what talent! Keep 'em swing, ya'll.

An overall thanks goes out to all those that came out to support the rodeo and royalty that evening. From members, to out-of-town guests, to Sacramento's CGNIE Court, to just the country/western dancers that came out to dance and have fun, thank you all for being there.

The following weekend, Sammy joined the whole GSGRA royalty team in Los Angeles for the GSGRA state board meeting and fund raiser at the Rawhide in North Hollywood. The royalty team raised \$239.00 in the 50/50 raffle. One lucky winner walked away with \$119.00 AND a bottle of wine that was laser etched with the GSGRA-GLAC logo. The remaining \$118.00 will be added to the David Watkins Memorial Fund. It was definitely a successful weekend.

A quick reminder goes out to all members that it is never too early to start thinking about running for GSGRA royalty. Being part of the royalty team is not just for a sash or tiara. Supporting the GSGRA chapters in their activities and raising money for the David Watkins Memorial Fund can be very exciting and fulfilling. If you like to meet people and get more involved with the rodeo association, think about running for GSGRA royalty this November. Contact any of your current royalty for information on what the royalty does and where they will be next.

#### "SPECIAL" EVENTS FROM OUR CHAPTER

##### Happy Birthday to a few of our C.C. Chapter members

Our very own Vice President Operations Officer Clemente Enriquez on January 23.

To our very own Helen Godivan on February 1<sup>st</sup>. Look who turned fouXXXXXXXXXoops!!!!!!

To our very own Sammy who has given birth to the chapter logo, February 11.

To our Secretary Brian Koeber on March 21 Happy thirXXXXXXXXXXXX you'll never know!!!

Do you want to see you anniversary, birth announcement, birthday or any other "special" event mentioned, then give me a ring at (916) 456-5917 and I'll put it in the next newsletter for the whole state to read about.

##### COWBOY QUOTE FOR THE MONTH:

"To a cowboy, the difference between a good meal and a bad one is the length of time between them."

THAT'S IT FOR THE MONTH, SEE Y'ALL NEXT TIME REGARDS, Brian

## Presidents Paragraph

To all the members of GSGRA, I invite you all to attend this years Annual Meeting of Members at Buffalo Bills, in Stateline, NV., near Las Vegas. This years dates will be April 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 1997. Advance registration will be \$35.00 per person. Registration at the door will be \$50.00. Registration will include Coffee Socials, Lunch on Saturday, Seminars and attendance to daily membership meeting's which will review our Standing Rules, Bylaws, Standing and Ad Hoc Committees and any other business which may properly come before the meeting. Hotel rooms are \$45.00 per night and reservations can be made directly with Buffalo Bills at (800)FUN STOP, ask for the GSGRA Group Rate SGS0418. New this year will be Pool Side open discussions with GSGRA Executive Board Members and workshops on Rodeo Production. Buffalo Bills is famous for its Fastest/tallest Roller Coaster, Arcade, indoor rodeo arena, and of course it's Gambling Casino games. Hope to see a lot of you there! Register for the Convention by calling State President; Craig Rouse @ (408) 378-6167. Advance Registrations must be received by April 11<sup>th</sup>.

Elections will be held on Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. Nominations will be accepted from the Convention floor, nominees must be present to accept nomination or written acceptance must accompany the nomination. The following nominations have been received. Individuals have not accepted or declined their nomination.

President: Craig Rouse

Executive Vice President: Steve Creber, Clint Johnson,

Vice President of Rodeo Operations: Clint Johnson, Rick Washburn

Secretary: Clint Johnson

Treasurer: Joe Olney

IGRA Trustee: David Medzerian, Brad Roberts, Craig Rouse, Roger Bergmann

GSGRA/IGRA Convention Delegates: Rick Washburn, Joe Olney, Craig Rouse, Brad Roberts, Roger Bergmann, David Medzerian, Phil Baldwin, Ellis Rose and David Carver

Additional nominations may be made in writing and addressed to State Secretary; Tim Parker at the States mailing address.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Vince Coco who resigned as our IGRA Trustee last week due to time commitments. THANK YOU VINCE, On behalf of all of us for your time and dedicated service representing all of us to IGRA.

I would also like to thank all of the State and Chapter Officers, Committee Leaders, Members, Contestants and Volunteers in making GSGRA the best and for leading the way to improving IGRA.

## The Phone Company's at it **Again!!!**

Have any of your phone numbers changed? Do you live in the new 562 area code. If so, let us know so that we can update your membership records. Give our State Membership Chair a call, write us or e-mail us and we will get our books in order.



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| Call   | (562)498-3488                               |
| E-Mail | rodeobrit@aol.com                           |
| Write  | 4226 East 15th St<br>Long Beach<br>Ca 90804 |



## MEMBERSHIP IS REQUIRED!!!!

If there ever was any doubt, let's put it to rest once and for all! Membership, in good standing, in an IGRA Member Association is required to complete in IGRA and/or GSGRA sanctioned rodeos. If a rodeo secretary is unable to verify current membership from lists provided by Associations or from membership cards carried by the member, *THE CONTESTANT WILL BE REQUIRED TO JOIN AN ASSOCIATION IN ORDER TO COMPETE.*

Bottom line, carry your membership card at all G.S.G.R.A. and/or I.G.R.A. Rodeos and other functions, without it you may have to pay for membership again and membership fees paid will not be refunded.

### THE RESPONSIBILITY IS NOW YOURS.

The Membership Committee will continue to provide each rodeo with a valid membership list two weeks prior to the rodeo but we cannot and will not be responsible for last minute renewals which do not appear on this list. All members receive a reminder notice approximately 45 days prior the membership expiration date. If you don't want problems at registration, carry you card and renew as soon as you get your renewal notice.

If you have questions regarding this or any other membership issue, talk to your Chapter membership chair or contact the State Membership Chair at 4226 East 15th Street, Long Beach, Ca 90804.

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| G.S.G.R.A. Inc.           |      | STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION |        |          |
|---------------------------|------|---------------------------------|--------|----------|
| ACTUAL COMPARED TO BUDGET |      | MONTH OF JANUARY 1997           |        |          |
|                           |      | ACTUAL                          | BUDGET | VARIANCE |
| CHECKING                  |      |                                 |        |          |
| CASH-CHECKING             | 1889 | 975                             |        | 975      |
| SAVINGS                   |      |                                 |        |          |
| CASH-D.W.M.FUND           | 8018 | 424                             |        | 424      |
| CASH-M/M OPERATING        | 2433 | 9,401                           |        | 9,401    |
| CASH-RODEO SANCTION       | 2458 | 22,339                          |        | 22,339   |
| SUBTOTAL SAVINGS          |      | 32,164                          |        | 32,164   |
| OTHER ASSETS              |      |                                 |        |          |
| ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE-BAC   |      | 8,442                           |        | 8,442    |
| ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE-DE    |      | 8,075                           |        | 8,075    |
| ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE-OTHER |      | 13                              |        | 13       |
| ACCUM. DEPR-COMPUTER      |      | (1,383)                         |        | (1,383)  |
| EQUIPMENT                 |      | 2,307                           |        | 2,307    |
| SUBTOTAL OTHER ASSETS     |      | 17,454                          |        | 17,454   |
| TOTAL ASSETS              |      | 50,593                          |        | 50,593   |
| EQUITY                    |      |                                 |        |          |
| FUND BALANCE              |      | 37,599                          |        | (37,599) |
| FUND BALANCE-CURRENT YEAR |      | 12,994                          |        | 12,994   |
| SUBTOTAL EQUITY           |      | 50,593                          |        | 50,593   |
| TOTAL DEBT AND EQUITY     |      | 50,593                          |        | 50,593   |

## STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE

| INCOME                    | ** MONTH ** |        |          | ACTUAL COMPARED TO BUDGET |        |          |
|---------------------------|-------------|--------|----------|---------------------------|--------|----------|
|                           | ACTUAL      | BUDGET | VARIANCE | ACTUAL                    | BUDGET | VARIANCE |
| CHPT ALLOCATED INCOME     |             |        |          | 1,975                     |        | 1,975    |
| CORP. SPONSORSHIPS        |             | 50     | (50)     |                           | 550    | (550)    |
| DANCE CONTEST             |             |        |          | 450                       | 600    | (150)    |
| DAVID WATKINS MEM FUND    |             | 50     | (50)     | 254                       | 550    | (296)    |
| DONATIONS                 |             |        |          | 100                       |        | 100      |
| INCOME-PRIOR YR           |             |        |          | 1,333                     |        | 1,333    |
| INT. INCOME-D.W.M.F.      | 2           | 2      |          | 18                        | 22     | (4)      |
| INT. INCOME-M/M OPERATING |             | 10     | (10)     | 119                       | 110    | 9        |
| INT. INCOME-RESERVE FUND  |             | 19     | (19)     | 393                       | 209    | 184      |
| LAMINATING INCOME         |             |        |          |                           | 250    | (250)    |
| MEMB-DUES                 | 975         | 1,500  | (525)    | 15,653                    | 16,500 | (847)    |
| MEMB-NAME TAGS            | 16          | 35     | (19)     | 66                        | 385    | (319)    |
| OTHER STATE REVENUES      |             | 100    | (100)    | 175                       | 1,100  | (925)    |
| RESERVE FUND-OPERATIONS   |             |        |          | 2,777                     | 3,155  | (378)    |
| RESERVE FUND-RESTRICTED   |             |        |          | 8,501                     |        | 8,501    |
| STATE CONVENTION          |             |        |          | 945                       | 950    | (5)      |
| TOTAL INCOME              | 993         | 1,766  | (773)    | 32,759                    | 24,381 | 8,378    |
| EXPENSE                   |             |        |          |                           |        |          |
| ADMIN-ACCOUNTANT          |             |        |          | 385                       | 385    |          |
| ADMIN-AWARDS/MEMORIALS    |             | 35     | 35       | 150                       | 385    | 235      |
| ADMIN-COPIER              |             | 10     | 10       |                           | 110    | 110      |
| ADMIN-DEPRECIATION EXP.   |             |        |          |                           | 450    | 450      |
| ADMIN-DUES/MEMBERSHIPS    | 10          |        | (10)     | 260                       | 125    | (135)    |
| ADMIN-INSURANCE           |             |        |          | 1,380                     | 1,415  | 35       |
| ADMIN-MEETING EXPENSES    |             |        |          | 760                       | 975    | 215      |
| ADMIN-MISC                |             |        |          | 59                        |        | (59)     |
| ADMIN-NEWSLETTER EXPENSE  |             | 100    | 100      | 1,008                     | 1,100  | 92       |
| ADMIN-OFFICE SUPPLIES     |             | 20     | 20       | 140                       | 220    | 80       |
| ADMIN-POSTAGE             |             | 40     | 40       | 105                       | 440    | 335      |
| ADMIN-TELEPHONE           | 42          | 55     | 13       | 655                       | 605    | (50)     |
| ADMIN-TRUSTEE EXPENSES    |             | 300    | 300      | 1,281                     | 1,700  | 419      |
| BANKING-RETURNED ITEMS    |             |        |          | 155                       |        | (155)    |
| BANKING-SERVICE CHARGES   |             | 15     | 15       | 193                       | 165    | (28)     |
| BUCKLE SPONSORSHIP        |             |        |          | 575                       | 800    | 225      |
| D.W.M.F. CONTESTANT EXP.  | 667         |        | (667)    | 667                       | 700    | 33       |
| DANCE CONTEST             |             |        |          | 581                       | 600    | 19       |
| EQUIPMENT EXPENSE         |             | 10     | 10       | 422                       | 110    | (312)    |
| IGRA CONV-ANNUAL DUES     |             |        |          | 500                       | 250    | (250)    |
| IGRA CONV-EXPENSES        |             |        |          | 2,955                     | 3,000  | 45       |
| IGRA CONV-REGISTRATION    |             |        |          | 400                       | 300    | (100)    |
| MEMB-COPIER               |             | 25     | 25       | 286                       | 275    | (11)     |
| MEMB-EDUCATION EXPENSE    |             |        |          | 1,320                     | 2,100  | 780      |
| MEMB-ID CARDS             |             |        |          |                           | 800    | 800      |
| MEMB-MISC                 | 13          | 25     | 12       | 167                       | 275    | 108      |
| MEMB-NAME TAGS            | 100         | 100    |          | 1,524                     | 1,100  | (424)    |
| MEMB-POSTAGE              |             | 266    | 266      | 2,031                     | 2,926  | 895      |
| MR MS MISS                |             |        |          | 569                       | 800    | 231      |
| STATE CONVENTION          |             |        |          | 477                       | 500    | 23       |
| TAXES-FEDERAL             |             |        |          |                           | 900    | 900      |
| TAXES-STATE               |             |        |          | 760                       | 800    | 40       |
| TOTAL EXPENSE             | 832         | 1,001  | 169      | 19,765                    | 24,311 | 4,546    |
| NET INCOME                | 161         | 765    | (604)    | 12,994                    | 70     | 12,924   |

## 1997 I.G.R.A. Rodeo Season

|                               |                  |                 |
|-------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Road Runner Regional Rodeo    | Phoenix          | January 17-19   |
| Bighorn Rodeo                 | Las Vegas        | March 7-9       |
| Saugaro Regional Rodeo        | Tucson           | March 21-23     |
| LA Gay Rodeo & Country Fair   | Los Angeles      | April 11-13     |
| Rodeo in the Rock             | Little Rock      | April 25-27     |
| Greater Motown Intl. Rodeo    | Detroit          | May 16-18       |
| Great Plain Regional Rodeo    | Oklahoma City    | May 23-25       |
| Bay Area Regional Rodeo       | San Jose         | May 30 - June 1 |
| Big Sky Regional Rodeo        | Billings         | June 13-15      |
| Canadian Rockies Intl. Rodeo  | Calgary          | June 27-19      |
| Heartland Regional Rodeo      | Omaha            | June 27-19      |
| North Star Regional Rodeo     | Minneapolis      | July 11-13      |
| Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo | Denver           | July 18-20      |
| 13th Annual IGRA Convention   | Salt Lake City   | July 24-27      |
| Show Me State Rodeo           | Kansas City      | August 29-31    |
| Zia Regional Rodeo            | Albuquerque      | August 29-31    |
| Pikes Peak United Rodeo       | Colorado Springs | September 19-21 |
| Greater San Diego Rodeo       | San Diego        | September 26-28 |
| Atlantic Stampede             | Washington DC    | October 3-5     |
| 11th Annual IGRA Finals Rodeo | Phoenix          | October 23-26   |

Please confirm rodeo dates and locations with the local Association or with IGRA. Phone (303)832-IGRA Fax (303)860-9105

### BUDDY PASSES

G.S.G.R.A. has a statewide agreement regarding Buddy Passes. The following should help you understand what they mean to you and how they work.

To qualify for a Buddy Pass the contestant must be competing in at least one rough stock or horse event. Contestant only competing in Roping on Foot or Camp Events do not qualify for a Buddy Pass.

Your Buddy must sign a liability waiver and must comply with, and be subject too, all rules governing the rodeo including the dress code. You, the contestant, can and will be held responsible for the actions of your buddy up to and including your disqualification.

The cost of the Buddy pass can, and will vary from one rodeo to another based on the social events included with the pass.

Please help us run better rodeos for everyone by not asking us to bend the rules.

### NEW AND IMPROVED GSGRA DANCE CONTEST PLANNED

GSGRA will hold its annual Country-Western Dance Competition this year at the Town and Country Hotel in San Diego on Saturday, May 10, 1997. In addition to introducing new events this year, GSGRA will hold its traditional competition.

The Rodeo Association will present its traditional Country-Western Dance Competition which will include the two-step, waltz, and a free-style dance. Competitors will vie for the chance to represent GSGRA at the IGRA Country-Western Dance Competition to be held in Salt Lake City at the end of July.

The Rodeo Association also plans to hold its first ever state Country-Western Swing Dance and Line Dance contests as separate events.

For spectators, there will be open dancing in addition to the dance competition. The organizers are also planning workshops for competitors and spectators alike to attend.

"We're very excited about this," said Phil Baldwin, who is responsible for the dance competition as GSGRA Administrative V.P. "The Rodeo Association Dance Competition has a history of achievement that GSGRA is proud of. Anything we can do to help it grow and attract new participants is welcome."

The Town and Country Hotel will provide discount room rates Friday and Saturday nights for people who ask for the GSGRA state dance contest rates. For more hotel information, please call Town and Country Hotel at (619)291-7131 or Ellis Rose at (619)459-6196.

For information about the competitions and workshops, please call Ellis Rose at (619)459-6196.

### G.S.G.R.A.

*Proudly Presents*

The 1997

### Country Western Dance Competition

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The Town and Country Hotel on Hotel Circle in San Diego

Saturday, May 10, 1997.

*Featuring:*

**Our traditional Country-Western Dance Competition in the two-step, waltz and free-style.**

and

*New This Year*

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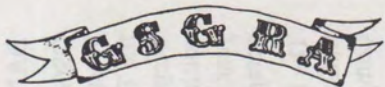
**Dance workshops for contestant and spectators**

and

**lots of open dancing**

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