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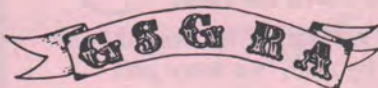
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NEWSLETTER  
OF



February 1998

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**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR A Rodeo Play Day**

**When - Saturday February 28, 1998**

**Where - Sandy & Bobby Ortiz's Ranch**

**Who - All current GSGRA members**

**Why - Let's get ready to kick ass in Las Vegas**

**What - Roping on Foot Breakaway & Team Roping**

**And - Barrels and Poles**

**And - Chute Doggin and Steer Riding.**

**Time - 10 am to 4 pm**

**How to get there:**

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Food will either be available or close by and, we were just kidding about the passport. The arena is in the U.S. and only about 45 minutes north of LA.

Note: Smith Road was not named for our own David (DJ) Smith of Southern California journalistic fame, but we think it should have been.

**For more information:**

Call Daryl Kessler or Terry Lazarus at (818)548-9964 or Lisa Joyce or David Smith at (818)956-7114. If you are in the San Diego Area and need information call Barry Lynch at (619)295-0607.

**Free to current Members of G.S.G.R.A.**

*Yet another good reason to have your membership ID card with you*

**No charge for spectating.**

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# Greater San Diego Chapter

Oct 1 - 4, 1998

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## RODEO PLAYDAY A SUCCESS

Howdy from Charles: Events and Activities. First of all, thanks to all those who helped out with our first beverage bust. A special thanks goes out to Mr. GSGRA - **Doug Graff** and Miss GSGRA - **Alex Michaels** for coming down to help! We really enjoyed having you two perform and make our first event a big hit.

Another round of special thanks goes to Jim and David, hosts of the Superbowl Party. I'm sure we had a great time! **Friday February 6th**, (the night before State Convention), we will be having our monthly **Rodeo Playday at Kickers**. The event starts at 7pm. Special Guest: The Kickers Cloggers! Also, 50 cent beer and soda from 7pm-10:30pm. Come join in the fun and help us raise some money!

On **February 13** at 7pm there will be a **Valentines**

**day party** at Charles & Dan's home. BYOB and a snack to share. For more info, call me at 619-280-9732.

We will also be having a St Partakes day party on March 14, time and place TBA.

## STATE BOARD MEETING

The GSGRA State Board meeting will be held on February 7, 1998 at the Mission Valley Marriott, San Diego! Hopefully all our San Diego Chapter members will make a strong showing. The event starts at 9am at the Rio Vista Ballroom, and all current GSGRA members are welcome to attend. Planned activities for our convention goers will be announced at the meeting. See the ad in this issue for details.

Also, remember to invite your out of town friends to our Rodeo Playday the night before at Kickers.

## ELECTION

Don't Forget! A special election will be held at General Membership Meeting, 4 February 1998 to fill the position of Vice-President of Rodeo Operations. Nominations for the office will be open until just prior to the election. If you are interested in being nominated for this position, please contact Nancy Novak at (619)298-4708. Also, in the event that an existing Board member is elected to the position of Vice President of Rodeo Operations, an election to fill the vacancy on the board will be held at the general membership meeting on March 4.

## NEW COLUMN

Watch this space for an upcoming tidbits and fun column. Our mystery author is hard at work deciding on the concept for the column. Coming soon! Don't miss it!

## GREATER SAN DIEGO CHAPTER - FEB 1998

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 Board Mtg 6pm General Membership 7pm ELECTIONS	5	6 Rodeo Playday at Kickers 7pm- 10:30pm	7 State Board Meeting at Marriott Mission Valley 9am
8	9	10	11	12	13 Valentines Day Party at Charles & Dans	14
15	16	17	18 Rodeo Roundtable Mtg. 7pm	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

### Dates for March 1998

Wed Mar 4 Board Meeting 6pm / General Membership Meeting 7pm

Fri March 13 Rodeo Playday at Kickers 7pm-10:30pm

Sat March 14 St. Patrick's Day Party Time and Place TBA

Wed March 18 Rodeo Roundtable Meeting 7pm

March 7-8 Bighorn Rodeo, Las Vegas, NV / March 20-21 Saguaro Rodeo, Tucson AZ

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		Asst Fundraising			Community Outreach
Clay Wright	x2974	Donations/Tickets/			Volunteers
		Asst Pride 98			Asst Donations
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# G.S.G.R.A. STATE BOARD MEETING

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## WHO?

All current members of the G.S.G.R.A. are invited to attend this board meeting.

## WHY?

To get involved! See what your elected state officers actually do! :)

## WHEN?

Saturday, February 7, 1998 9am - 5pm  
Snacks provided by Hamburger Mary's.

## WHERE?

At the San Diego Rodeo '98's Host Hotel, The San Diego Marriott - Mission Valley, Rio Vista Ballroom

## WHERE DO I STAY?

Rooms are available at the San Diego Marriott - Mission Valley for \$89 / night. Make your reservation by 1/23/98 and ask for the GSGRA rate. Call (800) 842-5329 NOW!

## DIRECTIONS

### From Airport, SR 163, or Interstate 5:

Take I-8 Eastbound. Exit at Qualcomm Way. Turn right on Rio San Diego Drive.

### From Interstate 15, 805, or points East:

Take I-8 Westbound. Exit Qualcomm Way. Turn right on Rio San Diego Dr.

### WHILE YOU'RE HERE .....

Stop by Kickers/Hamburger Mary's on **Friday Night** (yep thats the night before) for the San Diego Chapter Rodeo Playday! **7pm-10:30pm**



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# LANews

## GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

### New secretary elected at last chapter meeting

Lenore Mankoff was elected as the chapter's new secretary at the January meeting. Many of you undoubtedly already know Lenore; she's has been involved in the chapter for several years, and had been serving as assistant secretary with Jim Hoffman before he had to resign, the secretary job when he moved.

As we always say: Congratulations! Now get to work.

### From the membership chair: Not a whole lot to report!

The January meeting had a good turnout of chapter members. Good to see so many cheery faces ... My phone has been very quiet so I guess you have no news to share ... In our celebration of togetherness we have a really big one this month. Boyd and Geri Graham will mark 51 years on the 14th of February ... See you at the next chapter meeting, Feb. 14 in Long Beach ...

— Ruth Hilderbrandt

### Meeting schedule set for remainder of 1998

The schedule of 1998 chapter meetings got its final approval at the Jan. 10 meeting.

It was good to see so many people at the January meeting — let's keep it up, especially with the rodeo around the corner!

The schedule:

<b>Feb. 14:</b> Long Beach	<b>Aug. 8:</b> Long Beach
<b>March 14:</b> Los Angeles	<b>Sept. 12:</b> Los Angeles
<b>April 4:</b> Long Beach	<b>Oct. 10:</b> Long Beach
<b>May 2:</b> Los Angeles	<b>Nov. 7:</b> Los Angeles
<b>June 13:</b> Long Beach (with elections)	<b>Dec. 5:</b> Long Beach
<b>July 4:</b> Burbank	All meetings start at 10 a.m.

### Volunteer coordinator sought for pride season

It's hard to believe, but the summerlong pride season is right around the corner. The chapter always tries to put on an impressive display during the Long Beach and Los Angeles pride festivals, and we're seeking a volunteer who's interested in coordinating those efforts. The coordinator will likely concentrate on the L.A. parade, since our Long Beach entry (flags on foot) is fairly easy to pull off. Additionally, the coordinator may work with CSW's planning committee as they put together the L.A. pride event during the coming months. Interested? Call David Medzerian at (562) 436-1810.

## CALENDAR

### F E B R U A R Y

- Saturday, Feb. 7 GSGRA State Board meeting, San Diego
- Sunday, Feb. 8, **RODEO COMMITTEE** meeting, 2 p.m.
- Saturday, Feb. 14, **CHAPTER MEETING** at the Center, 2017 E. Fourth St., Long Beach, 10 a.m.
- Sunday, Feb. 15 **BEER BUST** fund-raiser with Guy Johnson at the Fault Line, L.A.

### M A R C H

- Sunday, March 1, **RODEO COMMITTEE** meeting, 2 p.m.
- March 6-8 Big Horn Rodeo, Las Vegas
- Saturday, March 14, **CHAPTER MEETING** at the Center, 1625 N. Schrader Blvd., L.A., 10 a.m.
- Sunday, March 15, **RODEO COMMITTEE** meeting at the Hansen Dam Equestrian Center, 2 p.m.
- March 20-22 Saguario Regional Rodeo, Tucson
- Sunday, March 29, **RODEO COMMITTEE** meeting, 2 p.m.

### A P R I L

- Saturday, April 4, **CHAPTER MEETING** at the Center, 2017 E. Fourth St., Long Beach, 10 a.m.
- Saturday-Sunday, April 4-5 **CHAPTER'S TOYOTA GRAND PRIX OF LONG BEACH PARTY**
- Sunday, April 5 **CHAPTER BEER BUST** at Pistons, Long Beach

### APRIL 17-19 L.A. RODEO '98

- April 24-26 Rodeo in the Rock, Little Rock, Ark.

### M A Y

- Saturday, May 2, **CHAPTER MEETING** at the Center, 1625 N. Schrader Blvd., L.A., 10 a.m.



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## I.G.R.A. Rodeo Schedule

Rodeo	1997 - 1998		1998 - 1999		1999 - 2000	
Texas Gay Rodeo, Location Varies	11/7	11/9	11/6	11/8	11/12	11/14
Road Runner Regional Rodeo, Phoenix	1/16	1/18	1/15	1/17	1/14	1/16
Bighorn Rodeo, Las Vegas	3/6	3/8	3/5	3/7	3/3	3/5
Saugaro Regional Rodeo, Tucson	3/20	3/22	3/19	3/21	3/17	3/19
LA Gay Rodeo & Country Fair, L.A.	4/17	4/19	4/9	4/11	4/21	4/23
Rodeo in the Rock, Little Rock	4/24	4/26	4/23	4/25	4/28	4/30
Dixieland Regional Rodeo, Atlanta	—	—	4/30	5/2	4/28	4/30
Great Plain Regional Rodeo, O.K.C.	5/22	5/24	5/28	5/30	5/26	5/28
Bay Area Regional Rodeo, San Jose	6/5	6/7	6/4	6/6	6/2	6/4
Heartland Regional Rodeo, Omaha	6/19	6/21	6/18	6/20	—	—
Canadian Rockies Intl. Rodeo, Calgary	6/26	6/28	7/2	7/4	6/30	7/2
North Star Regional Rodeo, Minneapolis	7/10	7/12	7/9	7/11	7/7	7/9
Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo, Denver	7/17	7/19	7/16	7/18	7/14	7/16
Convention(98 Baltimore 99 Long Beach)	7/29	8/3	7/29	8/2	—	—
Greater Motown Intl. Rodeo, Detroit	8/7	8/9	8/13	8/15	8/4	8/6
Rodeo Wichita, Wichita	8/7	8/9	—	—	—	—
Zia Regional Rodeo, Albuquerque	8/14	8/16	9/3	9/5	9/2	9/4
Northern Sierra Rodeo, Sacramento	—	—	8/20	8/22	8/4	8/6
Windy City Rodeo, Chicago	8/28	8/30	8/27	8/29	8/25	8/27
Show Me State Rodeo, t.b.a.	9/4	9/6	9/3	9/5	9/2	9/4
Pikes Peak United Rodeo, Col. Springs	—	—	9/17	9/19	9/15	9/17
Greater San Diego Rodeo, San Diego	10/2	10/4	9/24	9/26	9/22	9/24
Atlantic Stampede, Washington DC	10/2	10/4	10/1	10/3	9/8	9/10
Finals Rodeo(98 Phoenix 99 Littlerock)	10/22	10/25	10/28	10/31	10/19	10/22

These dates are believed to be accurate but we advise you to reconfirm with either I.G.R.A. or the hosting Association

**SAN DIEGO RODEO OCT 1 - 4 1998**

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January 10, 1998

Greetings:

The NGRA has two important announcements to make to the I.G.R.A. membership. We hope for your continued support through this less than happy time.

First, we are terribly saddened to announce the death of Gary L'Abbe. Gary was Rodeo Director for Bighorn '97 and Bighorn '98. He was a founding member of the NGRA and past President. He was the life-partner of Kip Kipilla and great friend to many, many people. He provided the music and the spirit for our gatherings at Backstreet, our home bar, where he worked as the DJ. He was hugely important to our association, and we will feel his absence for a long time.

Bighorn '98 will continue as scheduled, if not as planned. The two assistant Rodeo Directors and I will work with the Rodeo Planning Committee to ensure a smoothly run rodeo weekend for the contestants, officials, entertainers, volunteers and spectators. Gary would expect nothing less, and we wouldn't disappoint him or any of you.

We are also saddened by the death of David Pizzuti. David joined the NGRA while living and working in Death Valley. He was the Clown at all of our rodeo events and was looking forward to helping out with Bighorn '98. This past summer he spent a lot of time in Las Vegas and many of us came to know him and his antics very well. We, too, will miss that impish smile and sense of humor.

Secondly, we must announce that the winner of the title of First Runner-up to Miss NGRA has given up his title. Tracy King (aka Raven Knight) felt that he would not be able to adequately perform the duties and responsibilities of the position, and has graciously stepped down. The rest of the Royalty Team are committed to a busy year promoting NGRA and gay rodeo.

Thank you all for your friendship and support. It's at times like these that you realize just how important and valuable they really are.

Sincerely,

*Ken Carney*

Ken Carney  
 President

# BAY AREA CHAPTER



## Chapter Meetings & Rodeo Rountables

Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m.

February 5<sup>th</sup> - Rodeo Roundtable  
February 19<sup>th</sup> - Chapter/Rodeo Roundtable  
March 5<sup>th</sup> - Rodeo Roundtable  
March 19<sup>th</sup> - Chapter/Rodeo Roundtable

San Jose Location:  
San Jose Airport Hyatt  
1740 N. First St., San Jose

South City Location:  
P&D Appliance  
100 South Linden Ave., South San Francisco

*Please call the BAC rodeo hotline for meeting locations.*

## Membership News

As of 12-15-97, the BAC has a total of 54 members!

Welcome to the following new members of the BAC:

- DENISE DIEHM from Tracy, CA
- AMIR SHAHKARAMI from San Jose, CA

***Hey members!***

***Get those chapter renewals in for the next rodeo season.***

If any one has any questions regarding there memberships, please don't hesitate to call or E-mail our membership chair:

Gregg Harvey  
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The Golden State Gay Rodeo Association  
Bay Area Chapter

# Cupid's Coming a Courtin'

A fund raiser for the 1998 Gay Rodeo  
*"Bring your Sweetheart or find one there!"*

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Dance Contests

50/50 Raffle

Roving "Cupid" Messenger

Tush Push Contest



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## Sunday, February 15th, 1998

### 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm

The Rawhide II

280 7th Street  
San Francisco, CA 94103

**\$7.00 at the door**

For more information: 415-561-9228

The G.S.G.R.A. showing in Phoenix at the Road Runner Regional Rodeo was one of which we should all be proud. Not only were we there in force but our contestants did well and had fun (lots of fun). Debbie Andrews showed that she is not only an exceptional sportswomen but a real crowd pleaser too.

Now its on the Tucson, Las Vegas, Las Angeles and San Jose, lots of opportunity to prove that G.S.G.R.A. is an organization of Champions.

***Doug Graff, Mr. G.S.G.R.A.***

## Up & Coming Events



### Valentine's Day Celebration - February 15<sup>th</sup>

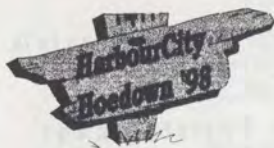
There will be a lot of fun activities:

- Bid on your favorite Cowboy and his "basket" of food to share with you.
- Look for the ROVING CUPID to send your sweetheart or "sweetheart to be" a valentine wish, kiss, or drink!
- Tush Push contest
- 50/50 Raffle
- Live Entertainment
- Delicious hor' d oerves

Now, we need your HELP! We are looking for a few volunteers to:

- Sell tickets at the door
- Coat Check
- Sell Raffle tickets
- Set up
- Clean up

If you can help out, please contact Marie Kirby by phone at (650) 328-4143 or email Marie at [mariek@amhsys.alliance4.org](mailto:mariek@amhsys.alliance4.org).



### Harbour City Hoedown - February 20<sup>th</sup>

Are you coming to the Gay-Lesbian Mardi Gras in Sydney? Don't forget your boots! Come to the 3rd annual Harbour City Hoedown, on Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup> and dance with bootscooters from all over Australia. Advance discount tickets are available in the Bay Area from BAGL, the Bay Area Gay-Lesbian Country

Dance Association. For more info contact them at (415) 699-5764 or see the Harbour City Hoedown website which is at: <http://www.geocities.com/westhollywood/village/5697>. And come celebrate Gay Mardi Gras with your boots on!

### Las Vegas Bighorn Rodeo at Horseman's Park - March 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>

#### Schedule of Events

#### Friday, March 6, 1998

- 6 - 9 p.m. Contestant Registration
- 9 p.m. till ? Entertainment
- 10:30 p.m. Grand Marshall Presentation
- 10:30 p.m. Dancing!

#### Saturday, March 7, 1998

- 8 a.m. Rodeo Events
- 12 noon Grand Entry
- 1 p.m. Rodeo Events
- 1:30 p.m. Dancing & Entertainment (Rodeo Grounds)

9 p.m. Dance Groups  
Exhibition & Dancing  
(Emerald Springs - Holiday Inn)

#### Sunday, March 8, 1998

- 8 a.m. Rodeo Events
- 12 noon Grand Entry
- 1 p.m. Rodeo Events
- 1:30 p.m. Dancing & Entertainment
- 7 - 9 p.m. Entertainment @ Emerald Springs
- 9 p.m. Awards Ceremony @ Emerald Springs
- 10 p.m. Dancing



For more information, call the Bighorn Rodeo Hot Line: (702) 593-3193 or Toll Free: 1-888-643-NGRA (6472)

(Note: All times are approximate and subject to change!)



GSGRA-BAC

# Community

# BINGO

Wednesday Nights at  
The San Jose Airport Hyatt  
Mediterranean Center  
1700 N. First St., San Jose  
Doors Open At 7:00 PM  
Games Start at 7:30 PM

Starting  
Jan 7th

## Guest Callers!

BINGO				
14	25	34	52	68
1	24	38	51	69
4	26	41	48	74
3	23	41	46	63
6	20	39	56	70

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## Up & Coming Events

<b>BINGO</b>			
14	25	34	52 68
1	24	38	51 69
4	26	48	74
3	23	41	46 63
6	20	39	56 70

### *BINGO!*

We've had our first two games and things are going great! We've almost reached the "break-even" point. We're havin' a lot of fun learnin' the ropes for the games. Spread the word! It's a great way to get out of the house and meet other people.

### *Horseback Riding*

We have a lot of members who like to go out riding and we periodically arrange group outings around the Bay Area. If y'all are interested, call the hotline and let us know! We'll get back to you with the latest scheduled rides.



## Volunteers! Volunteers! Volunteers!

- ⇒ **Arena volunteers** are needed for the '98 rodeo! If you want to have a great time and learn a bit about running rodeo events this is the opportunity for you. Call the BAC rodeo hotline if you are interested.
- ⇒ **Buckle and ribbon sponsors** are needed for this year's rodeo. If you know of any businesses or individuals who would like to sponsor a buckle or ribbon and get some great advertising exposure at the rodeo, please call the BAC hotline.
- ⇒ We've already started our regular rodeo roundtable meetings to plan an extraordinary event this year. If you are interested in helping out in any capacity, call the rodeo hotline and let us know. There's plenty of fun stuff left to do and we can use all the help we can get!
- ⇒ The BINGO committee needs **callers and floor people**. If you like to be heard or can help out on the floor selling Cherry Bells, working the door or providing security, call the rodeo hotline or send email to the BINGO committee chairs, Mike Amoroso ([mikeamor@ix.netcom.com](mailto:mikeamor@ix.netcom.com)) or Bill Gorman ([billieg69@aol.com](mailto:billieg69@aol.com)).

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# News from the GSGRA Royalty

**T**he '98 GSGRA Royalty has been busy ... so busy that we missed our first chance at talking to you through the Chute. Thanks '97 crew for covering for us!

Back in November, Alex and Doug ran into their inspiration, Sheba, one cold San Francisco night in the middle of a show at Marlena's. Sheba was gracious enough to hand over her time to us in the second set ... too bad Doug still doesn't know how to cue his tapes! Just goes to show we always need to be prepared.

We made our first appearance as a united team at the Sacramento Chapter Vegas Night back in November. Thanks Sammy for being such a great host! Did you get all of Alex's make-up out of your towels yet? The following night Doug and Alex hustled back to San Francisco and attended the '97 South of Market Calendar Men's "Hoe Down '97". We helped out with the silent auction and with the Bay Area Chapter information table.

In December, Alex was off to Grand Nationals in Las Vegas and stopped by some of her old stomping grounds to show off her new sash and crown. She is also setting up a joint Royalty fund raiser with some old pals for the Thursday night of the Vegas rodeo weekend. Stay tuned for details. That same weekend Doug entertained at the Bay Area

Chapter Snowflakes and Spurs Ball at Mary's in San Jose.

Alex and Doug also made a last minute appearance at the University of San Francisco Pediatric Aids annual fund raiser on December 20. We discovered the event accidentally and when we learned it was a Country Christmas...we were there! We used the chance to network with local court folks and are working at getting them to lend a hand with the Bay Area Rodeo in June. The following night Alex was the head liner at the Annual Rawhide II Christmas Party.

While Alex and Doug were working on Cow Bells and Jingle Bells, Nena was working on Wedding Bells with Annie. They tied the knot on New Years. What a great way to start '98. Best Wishes Nena and Annie! Alex and Doug were also able to make it down to the San Diego Play Day on Jan. 10. Thanks Lewis for helping calm the natives when we took over half their restroom and turned it into a dressing room! We look forward to returning to San Diego on February 7 and 8 during the State Board Meeting. Help us support the San Diego Chapter at Kickers.

And that rounds it out. As you can see we've been busy and are looking forward to visiting more places in the state. If you're a member in an outlying area...call us up. We'd love to come help promote rodeo with you too!

— Nena, Alex and Doug

*Nena (Bradeen) Kinney, Ms. GSGRA '98*  
*Alex Michaels, Miss GSGRA '98*  
*Doug Graff, Mr. GSGRA '98*

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**C. C. CHAT NEWSLETTER**

***PRESIDENT'S CORNER* Mark Marshall**

HAPPY NEW YEAR to everyone. The chapter had a quiet holiday, but the Christmas Country Cabaret was very successful. It also provided a chance to just get together. Thanks to all of those that attended and performed. The event made money and did not take an extra ordinary amount of time to put together. It also contributed to our Rodeo Fund and keeps the chapter on target to have funds necessary for approval of a rodeo in the Sacramento area for 1999. Please call Nena Kinney with ideas for fundraisers or bring them to the monthly rodeo meetings. As I mentioned, we are now going to quarterly meetings for the chapter and its administrative needs. The Executive Board will handle details between chapter meetings. These will be announced and are open to everyone. The monthly Rodeo meetings, chaired by Vice President, Rodeo Operations, Chris Bent, will concentrate solely on what it will take to make the rodeo happen. This will include fund raising, budget, facility discussions and much more. We need your input and ideas so come prepared to participate!

There have been a few changes in your board and committee chairpersons. The following is a list of officers and committees with appropriate phone numbers if you wish to contact them.

***Executive Board:***

President:	M. Marshall	916-451-9439
Vice President/Administration:	Alex Murray-Waller	916-685-6293
Vice President/Rodeo Operations:	Chris Bent	916-331-1639
Treasurer:	Bill Hause	916-649-3826
Secretary:	Cary "CJ" Jasgur	510-669-9669

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***Committee Chairs:***

By-Laws/Standing Rules:	Chuck Valdes	916-972-7788
Event Coordinator:	Nena Kinney	916-966-7442
Membership:	Cary "CJ" Jasgur	510-669-9669
Public Relations/Marketing:	Kym Weber	916-682-8087

***CALENDAR***

**February 8** -- State Board Meeting, San Diego, location to be announced. Call 916-451-9439 for information.

**February 14** – Valentines Day, Watch for your special mailing for a party being hosted by the GSGRA Royalty and the Bay Area Chapter, or check the Bay Area Chapter report in the Chute for details. These folks have been a great support to this chapter, so lets try to get a group together for a fun trip to the Bay Area. You may also call Nena, Ms. GSGRA for details.

**February 19** -- Come help your Chapter get ready for its first ever rodeo and hear the latest jokes and stories from our favorite storyteller, Lyn Dougherty.

**March 6,7,8** – Bighorn Regional Rodeo, Las Vegas, Nevada. Packages are early and there is a good contingent going from Sacramento, so make your plans to attend. Call 916-451-9439 for more details.

**March 19** -- Rodeo meeting, Third Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM, upstairs at the NEW Joseph's Town and Country 1454 Del Paso Blvd. Sacramento Ca (916)-922-8899 for directions.

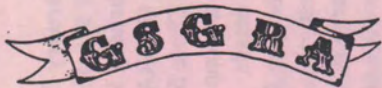
**April 5** – Quarterly Chapter Meeting: Sunday at 5:30 PM, upstairs at the NEW Joseph's Town and Country 1454 Del Paso Blvd. Sacramento Ca (916)-922-8899 for directions.



**Contestants -**

***You need to know.....***

1998 Rule Change. To make sure your membership is valid for registration at a rodeo, G.S.G.R.A. must receive your renewal at the Long Beach address no later than the 15th of the month before your membership expires. For more information check with your Chapter Membership Chair or call State Membership Chair, Joseph Olney (562)498-3488.



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