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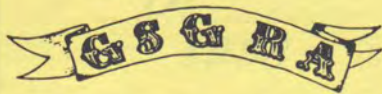
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THE
OFFICIAL
MEMBERSHIP
NEWSLETTER
OF



June 1998

New Beginning....

A couple of weeks ago your State Organization met in Laughlin, NV for your Annual Membership meeting Convention. The outcome was one of a commitment from the newly elected officers and newly seated State Board of Directors Chapter Representatives. This year will be a new beginning for us in California, working together, helping each other our goal is to bring FUN back to the Chapter level and working hard and being productive on the State level. Rodeo production costs continue to increase with attendance decreasing, not only here in California, but across the Country. If any year the old saying, "did this, done that" is true, it's this year. Each Chapter needs to come up with new fun ideas, rodeo production needs to figure out what our community wants and come up with new ideas to fulfill their needs wants. The State Organization needs to be creative with Membership incentives, tighten our belts, take a hard look internally and look into growth and becoming proactive. I encourage all of you to be active as much as you can within your local chapters; they need your help. Either you can be part of the problem or the solution. This year your new State Board of Directors and Executive Committee have made a commitment for a year of hard work and fun to continue the long history of GSGRA of being the best.

Craig Rouse,
President, G.S.G.R.A.

A COWBOY'S GUIDE TO LIFE



- ◆ Don't never interfere with something that ain't botherin' you none.
- ◆ Timing has a lot to do with the outcome of a rain dance.
- ◆ There's more ways to skin a cat than stickin' his head in a boot jack and jerkin' on his tail.
- ◆ Some ranchers raise pigs and some will even admit it. Either way, they're raisin' pigs.
- ◆ The easiest way to eat crow is while it's still warm. The colder it gets, the harder it is to swallow.
- ◆ If it don't seem like it's worth the effort, it probably ain't.
- ◆ It don't take a genius to spot a goat in a flock of sheep.
- ◆ Tellin' a man to go to hell and makin' him do it are two entirely different propositions.
- ◆ Generally speakin', fancy titles and nightshirts are a waste of time.
- ◆ Trust everybody in the game, but always cut the cards.
- ◆ If you're ridin' ahead of the herd, take a look back every now and then to make sure it's still there.
- ◆ if you're gonna go...go like hell. If your mind's not made up, don't use your spurs.
- ◆ don't saddle that pony if you ain't sure you can ride it

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7th Regional Bay Area Rodeo

June 6 & 7 1998
Events June 2-7 1998

San Jose, CA.

Host Hotel
San Jose Airport Hyatt
1740 North First Street
San Jose, CA.
(800) 233-1234
\$70.00 Room Rate! (ask for special rodeo rate)



Schedule Of Events

Wednesday, June 3rd 1998

Hyatt Hotel
Community Gay BINGO 7pm

Thursday, June 4th 1998

Hyatt Hotel
18+ Hustle Dance Party 8pm

Friday June 5th 1998

Hyatt Hotel
Pool Party and BBQ Noon -7pm
Contestant Registration 6-9pm
C/W Dance & Party 8pm

Saturday, June 6th 1998

Santa Clara County Fairgrounds
Contestant Meeting 7:30am, Rodeo
Slack 8am
Rodeo & Vendor Expo '98 Opens
10am
Grand Entry/Parade and Rodeo HIGH
NOON

Hyatt Hotel

Pool Party & BBQ 3-7pm
C/W Hoedown 7pm

Sunday June 7th 1998

Santa Clara County Fairgrounds
Rodeo Slack 8am
Rodeo & Vendor Expo '98 Opens
10am
Grand Entry/Parade and Rodeo HIGH
NOON

Hyatt Hotel

Tea Dance 5-9pm
Award Presentation & Show 9pm
C/W Dance to Follow

BAY AREA CHAPTER



Words From The BAC President...

Lights, Camera, Action!

The curtain is about to rise on the 7th Annual Bay Area Regional Rodeo. We're just days away from the kicking off Pride Month in Northern California...and it feels good. All the Bingo, the Bar nights...the late nights...and the planning will soon be paying off. Thanks to all who made it possible.

This year's event will be bigger and better than ever before. We're trying something different with the Hustle/Disco party on Thursday night. It may not fit with traditional rodeo, but we think it fits just right with Gay Rodeo. I bet you'd be hard pressed to find one of our guests who doesn't now the words to "I Will Survive" or "Stayin' Alive".

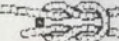
We're turning up the heat on the pool parties too! The Hyatt has been very accommodating and willing to work with us. They've brought back the same reasonably priced menu they had last year and the beer will be cold and handy. If you can't have fun at our pool parties...well, then you probably need to find out who Gloria Gainer is. Somebody quick take their card away.

I hope you all enjoy rodeo weekend. Play safe, work hard, take a moment to embrace the pride in knowing that you've made this happen.

Looking forward to sleep in June,
Doug

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Oct 1 - 4, 1998

FROM THE PRESIDENT

I was very happy to see so many members turn out for our General Membership meeting in May. It was good to see some familiar faces as well as new members. I hope to see y'all at the June meeting!

KUDOS

Thanks to **Robert Kojima** for working so hard with our sponsor Jim Beam.

Thanks to **Paul and Don** for their great job on this year's Ticket package.

We all had a good time in Laughlin, NV for the State Convention. I was pleased to see such a good turn-out from our members. Thanks **Ken, Paul, Don, Ellis and Phil.**

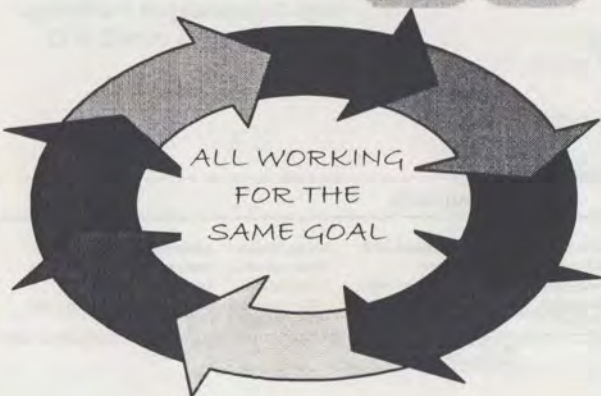
Congratulations to our new Vice President of Rodeo Operations, **J.J. Jennings**. Thanks to all three of our nominated contenders.

Nancy Novak

CHAPTER DIRECTORY

President	Nancy Novak	6668
State Representative	David Spence	3773
	Ken Valdez	5825
	Nancy Novak	6668
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Pride (Festival)	Robert Kojima	7565
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Hotel	Jonathan Hewlett	5439
	Asst Ken Valdez	5825
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	Jonathon Herndon	5437
	Asst David Spence	3773
	Asst Nancy Novak	6668
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	Asst Shawn Holiday	7456
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Tickets	Ed Wallum	3925
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Vendors	Don Teeter	3833
	Paul Fox	7369
Volunteers	Dan Bradford	3272
	Kelly Gilliland	pending
Secretary	Paul Fox	7369
Archives	Robert McNeese	7626
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	Asst Lance Sharp	5742
Newsletter	Dan Bradford	3272
Treasurer (Interim)	Del Castillo	3227
Systems Support	Ed Wallum	3925
Office Manager	Don Teeter	3833

Many Positions Still Available! Interested?
 Contact: Nancy Novak (619) 462-6078



GREATER SAN DIEGO CHAPTER - JUNE 1998

VP RODEO OPERATIONS ELECTION

The very best wishes go to **J.J. Jennings** on his election to the position of Vice President of Rodeo Operations. J.J. has been active in the Chapter for many years and brings a great store of knowledge with him into the job. Now as the famous G.S.G.R.A. saying goes, Congratulations, now get to work!

NICKY AWARD

On April 26th, the Greater San Diego Chapter of the GSGRA

was proud to accept the Governor's Award presented to the Chapter at the **1998 Nicky Awards**. This award is given to a person or organization "HONORING OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN OUR COMMUNITY".

SPECIAL ELECTION

Don't forget. at the June General Membership meeting, we will be electing a new Chapter Treasurer. If you are interested in the position, contact any of the Board members and let them know.

DATES FOR JUNE 1998

Wed	June 3	7 PM	General Membership Meeting
	June 5, 6, 7		Bay Area Regional Rodeo, San Jose
Fri	June 12	7-10 PM	Playday/Membership Drive at Kickers
Tue	June 16	6 PM	Board Meeting
Tue	June 16	7 PM	Rodeo Roundtable Meeting
Sun	June 21	2 PM	Mexican Dinner Fundraiser
	June 19, 20, 21		Heartland Regional Rodeo, Omaha
	June 26, 27, 28		Canadian Rockies Intl Rodeo, Calgary

DATES FOR JULY 1998

Wed	July 1	6 PM	Board Meeting
Wed	July 1	7 PM	General Membership Meeting
Fri	July 3	7-10 PM	Rodeo Playday at Kickers
	July 10, 11, 12		North Star Reg. Rodeo, Minneapolis
Sun	July 12	1 PM until ?	Member Appreciation Beach Party
	July 10, 11, 12		Rocky Mountain Reg. Rodeo, Denver
Tue	July 21	7 PM	Rodeo Roundtable Meeting
	July 25 & 26		San Diego Pride
	July 29 to Aug 3		IGRA Convention at Baltimore, MD.

GREATER SAN DIEGO CHAPTER - JUNE 1998



Mexican Dinner Fundraiser



The Chapter's Events and Activities Committee is announcing a **Mexican Dinner Fundraiser** to be held on June 21st. The cost will be a mere \$10 per person for some of the best Mexican food in San Diego. Chief Cook and Bottlewasher, Dave Pickle, will be hosting the event at his home. As always, we can use more "bottlewashers" (helpers) to make this event a success. Contact Charles at voice mailbox 2269 to volunteer.

Tickets will be available starting at the June 3rd General Membership meeting. Or leave a message on Charles' voicemail if you need ticket to attend or to sell.

IT'S THAT TIME OF THE YEAR AGAIN.

It's time for the **San Diego Pride Parade and Festival**. This year, the San Diego Chapter will be doing even more for the Country/Western Village and Dance Floor. We would like to take this opportunity to invite all the GSGRA members and any other IGRA organization members that are planning to be in the area to join us and march in the parade on July 25th. If you think that you would like to walk in the parade, call the office at (619) 2984708 and leave a message with Marshall, our Pride Parade Coordinator at voice mailbox 6554.

Even if you don't make it to march in the parade, be sure to come on down to watch it and to enjoy the dancing and entertainment at the **COUNTRY / WESTERN VILLAGE** which will again be sponsored and organized by the San Diego Chapter.

See Y'all There!

G.S.G.R.A. Community Calendar

1998

- June 5 - 7 7th Annual Bay Area Regional Rodeo
June 27 - 28 L.A. Gay Pride, West Hollywood.
July 11 State Board Meeting, hosted by the Capitol Crossroads Chapter
October 2 - 4 10th Annual San Diego Rodeo
November 14 State Board Meeting & Royalty Contest, hosted by the Bay Area Chapter

1999

- February 6 State Board Meeting hosted by the Greater San Diego Chapter
April 9 - 11 1999 Greater Los Angeles Regional Rodeo
May 8 - 9 Annual Meeting of the Membership Convention, hosted by the Greater LA Chapter
June 4 - 6 8th Annual Bay Area Regional Rodeo
August 20 - 22 1st Annual Northern Sierra Rodeo, Sacramento
Sept 17 - 19 Greater San Diego Regional Rodeo

All dates are subject to change. Please confirm with event organizers before making

Lets all get Organized!!!

The *Community Calendar* is a new feature for *The Chute* and will appear each month. By next month we will have added the complete I.G.R.A. Schedule and we want you to let us know if there are events in your area that we should all know about so that we can all avoid conflicts. Call Joe Olney (562)598-3488 or e-mail rodeobrit@aol.com or mail to 4226 E 15th St., Long Beach, Ca 90804.



**THE GOLDEN STATE GAY
RODEO ASSOCIATION**

A Member Association of the International Gay Rodeo Association

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Membership records are strictly confidential. G.S.G.R.A. is an organization of men and women. Ownership of a horse is not required to be a member. Membership fees are for one year from the date of receipt. Family memberships are available to any two persons residing at the same address. Members must be at least 18 years of age. Some G.S.G.R.A. events are held in locations with age restrictions that would exclude members under the age of 21.

Individual.....\$40.00 Family.....\$75.00

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NAME		Please check the chapter with which you would like to be affiliated. Members that do not indicate a preference will be considered to have selected Member at Large.
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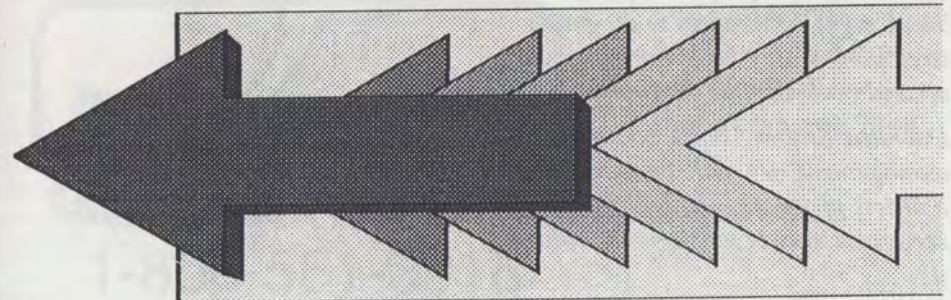
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*DO it.... DO it....
DO it.... DO it....
AND THEN.....
DO it
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**Invite
a friend
to join
the
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L.A. NEWS



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GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

June meeting includes votes on board, rules

Please be sure to make the June chapter meeting at the Center in Long Beach. It's the "Annual Meeting of Members."

Among the important items to be voted on is a bylaw proposal to change the chapter meetings to every other month. Executive Board meetings (open to the public, of course) would be held in the alternating months.

We'll also elect the 1998-99 Executive Board. Because of the frenzy of rodeo, there are few early nominees, and some who declined before may change their minds. But it looks like we'll have a few key openings to be filled. Think about it!

As always, additional nominations will be taken from the floor, and can include folks who declined earlier. If you're nominated from the floor, you must be present to accept or have indicated in writing that you'd accept. And you can nominate yourself!

To run for office, you must currently be a member in good standing, and have been a chapter member in good standing for at least one year.

- The early slate of nominees:
- President:** David Medzerian (declined).
- Administrative vice president:** Amy Griffin (accepted).
- Vice President/Rodeo Operations:** No nominations.
- Secretary:** Lenore Mankoff (accepted).
- Treasurer:** Nils Peterson (declined).

NEW BOARD REPS

► Our new State Board reps are Thom Brennan, Kevin Weeks and Al Wright; Steve Creber and Michael DeYonker are the alternates. We'd normally say: "Congratulations! Now get to work." But they've already been working — at the State Convention last month!

From the membership chair ...

What a weekend for a rodeo! I saw some faces that have not been around for a while, so it was great. But now we must look to the future. DO YOU WANT A RODEO NEXT YEAR? Some of the same people are doing it over and over each year and they are getting burned out. We have elections coming up and we need you to come and use your voice. There are jobs that don't require a full-time commitment. Have you thought about helping?

Well, so much for the soap box routine. I'm happy to say that Mondo the Bear — donated by Scott Hilderbrandt and Jeff Graham to be the prize for a chapter fund-raising raffle — did find a good home. The lucky young lady is 13-year-old Charlene Johnson. A check will be sent to Tuesday's Child.

This is my last note to you for this term; all committee chairs vacate when a new president is elected. That gives the new president the chance to pick their own committees. But regardless, I will still be on the Chute staff, I was told by what's his name (Joe Olney) that I can't quit — slaves have to be sold! — **Ruth Hilderbrandt**

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CALENDAR

J U N E

- June 5-7 Bay Area Regional Rodeo, San Jose
- Saturday, June 13 10 a.m. **CHAPTER MEETING** ('Annual meeting of members' with chapter elections) at the Center, 2017 E. Fourth St., Long Beach
- June 19-21 Heartland Regional Rodeo, Omaha, Neb.
- June 26-28 Canadian Rockies International Rodeo, Calgary, Alberta
- June 27-28 CSW (L.A. Pride) festival (parade on Sunday)

J U L Y

- Saturday, July 4 10 a.m. **CHAPTER MEETING** at the Burbank Airport Hilton
- Saturday, July 4 evening Chapter trip to the Hollywood Bowl
- July 10-12 North Star Regional Rodeo, St. Paul, Minn.
- Saturday, July 11 GSGRA State Board meeting hosted by the Capital Crossroads Chapter
- July 17-19 Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo, Denver
- July 25-26 San Diego Pride Festival (parade on Saturday)
- July 29-Aug. 1 IGRA convention, Baltimore

A U G U S T

- Aug. 7-9 Rodeo Wichita and Greater Motown International Rodeo, Detroit, Mich.
- Saturday, Aug. 8 2 p.m. **CHAPTER MEETING** at the Center, 2017 E. Fourth St., Long Beach
- Aug. 14-16 Zia Regional Rodeo, Albuquerque



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News from the IGRA Trustee...

By David Medzerian

UNITED AIRLINES DISCOUNTS: As you may know, IGRA has signed a sponsorship agreement for 1998 with United. The deal, to sponsor convention and finals, doesn't prevent individual rodeos from having their own airline sponsors.

And it does mean group discounts when attending 1998 IGRA rodeos and convention if you use their Special Meeting Desk to book the reservations. You can earn a 5 percent discount off the lowest applicable fare, including First Class, or 10 percent off the mid-week coach fare. If you buy your ticket at least 60 days before your travel date, you get an additional 5 percent off. Call (or have your travel agent call) 800-521-4041 and refer to Meeting Plus® ID code 524SR. United warns that seats may be limited so you should make your plans early.

RULE INTERPRETATIONS: Contestants, along with your entry forms for the second half of the rodeo year you received notice of two rule interpretations made

by the trustees at our April meeting in Little Rock. These interpretations addressed how the drag must be mounted in Wild Drag, and an issue involving rerides in Broncs. Neither is a big deal, but be sure to review these interpretations before you compete again.

BABY BULLS: The trustees agreed to let ASGRA use adolescent bulls for Steer Riding at this year's Atlantic Stampede. These "baby bulls" have been ridden previously and are comparable to our usual steers.

ASGRA needed the waiver because they had problems finding the appropriate size of steer for Steer Riding, because of the time of year and the shortage of rodeo stock on the East Coast.

MANY THANKS: Lastly, thanks for your support in electing me to a full term as your trustee to IGRA. It has been my privilege to represent GSGRA in finishing up Vince Coco's term over the past year, and I look forward to doing the same in a full-length trustee term.



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From the Palace Gate.....

Your 98 Royalty has been lax in communicating, but definitely not lax in promoting rodeo. Sorry for the hiatus.

Since the first of the year we've made appearances at several rodeos including the 14th Annual LA rodeo. Nena tried her hand at competing for the first time and Doug messed his up by grabbing that steer deco rope. But we're healed and looking forward to San Jose.

Alex is busy promoting California rodeos on the east coast while his real job has him out of pocket. He's doing some great networking with the Atlantic States Association and is also giving them a great dose of Reba every Friday night in a cabaret show.

Some of our future events include the Sacramento Barn Dance on June 13 and The Stump Town Rodeo Days from June 19 - 21. Doug will be performing at the River Business in Guernville during the Stump festival on Friday the 19th. If you're in the area, stop by say hello.

Thanks for your continued support and remember, if you would like a hand from us, just let us know.

The 1998 Royalty Team

Annual Convention and Elections 1998 -- 1999

Executive Committee

Craig Rouse: President
Bill Gorman: VP Admin
Sammy Van Galder: VP Rodeo Operations
Clint Johnson: Secretary
Bill Chapman: Treasurer
Roger Bergman: Counselor
David Medzerian: IGRA Trustee

State Board of Directors

Bay Area Chapter: Brad Roberts, Doug Graff, Mike Amoroso, Phil Colwell
Capital Crossroads Chapter: Billy Hughes, Chuck Valdes, Alexanderia Waller, Mark Marshall
Greater Los Angeles Chapter: Al Wright, Michael DeYonker, Kevin Weeks, Steve Creber, Thom Brennan
Greater San Diego Chapter: David Spence, Ellis Rose, Ken Valdez, Nancy Novak, Robert Kotima

State Committees

Standing Rules & Bylaws: Michael DeYonker & Chuck Valdes
Membership: Joe Olney
Education: Thom Brennan
Health & Safety: Brad Roberts
Merchandise: Doug Graff & Ken Valdez
Newsletter: Joe Olney & Ruth Hilderbrandt
Dance Royalty: TBA
Communications: TBA
Nominations: TBA

Last call for July 4th at

The Hollywood Bowl

Join G.L.A.C. for a pot luck picnic dinner and an evening with the fabulous Ms. Della Reese. Our ticket block closes on Monday June 1 so call or e-mail now.

For information call Ruth Hilderbrandt (310)539-2187 or Joseph Olney (562)498-3488.



C.C. CHAT

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WHAT'S THE CHATTER

May was kind of a quiet month, with the exception of the Annual State Board Meeting. Speaking of the State Board meeting, we would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Sammy Van Galder for getting re-elected to the position of Vice President of Rodeo Operations. We would also like to congratulate all of the other members that got elected for the 1998-1999 Rodeo year.

GENERAL CHAPTER INFORMATION

Our next chapter meeting will be July 19th beginning at 2 PM, the location is Marshall's house (call 916-451-9439 if you need directions). This meeting will be a potluck, so bring something great to eat.

Tuesday is Rodeo Night at Joseph's
With your GSGRA Membership card you can get Happy Hour prices all night long. So come on down and join us for some Country Western Dancing and Great Fun.
Some very exciting things coming up in the arena: Sammy Van Galder, Nena Brandeen, and of course myself. Also we have two members that will be volunteering behind (or in front of) the scenes: Cary "CJ" Jasgur and Zack Kreiter. Capital Crossroads Chapter will be hosting the State Board Meeting on July 12th. Look in the July Chute for time and place to be announced. Just a note for housekeeping, we will be approving the revised by-laws and standing rules at the July 19th general membership meeting. Our elections are coming up real soon. We will be electing officers at our next general chapter meeting. Nominations have already been made, but will still be taken on the floor prior to the elections.

CALENDAR

June 5, 6, 7 – Bay Area Regional Rodeo, San Jose, CA. Packages are early and there is a good contingent going from Sacramento.

June 13 – Capital Crossroads Barn Dance. Watch for flyers both in Sacramento and the Bay Area. See information section in the Chute. If you have any questions, call 916-451-9439.

July 12 – State Board Meeting. Location and time to be announced.

July 19 – General Chapter Meeting and elections of new officers. Marshall's house, beginning at 2 PM. Meeting is a potluck. (Call 916.451.9439 for directions).

Capital Crossroads Chapter

Proudly Presents
Our 2nd annual Barn Dance
Saturday, June 13, 1998
StoneWall Stud
Woodland CA
The Fun Begins At 5 PM

Send Check or Money Order Made Payable to Capital Crossroads Rodeo Association
12.00 Single \$20.00 Couple* \$15.00 At the Door

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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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