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THE
OFFICIAL
MEMBERSHIP
NEWSLETTER
OF



July 1998

Champions, Everywhere we look.....



*Back row: Daniel Dee Tiy and Patrick
Front Row: Mark Karalyn Paul and Collie*

On Saturday, April 18, at the Los Angeles Rodeo, G.S.G.R.A. holds their 8th Annual Country Western Dance Competition. There were four couples competing in the Dance Contest. All couples danced a Two-Step, Waltz and Freestyle. The couple with the highest cumulative score of all three dances, were named G.S.G.R.A. Dance Champions. This contest will be the preliminary contest to compete at the I.G.R.A. Country Western Dance Finals.

In Division IV - First Time, Daniel Greene and Mark Balmer from the Greater San Diego Chapter, were named Dance Champions. There were no competitors in Division III - Beginner. In Division II - Intermediate, Tiy Ocasio Torres and Paul Casey, from the Greater San Diego Chapter were named Dance Champions. Coming in Second Place Overall in Division II, were Dee Wallis and Karalyn Brindley, from the Bay Area Chapter. In Division I - Advanced, Patrick Turnbull and Collie Valadez, from the Greater Los Angeles Chapter, were named Dance Champions.

All G.S.G.R.A. Dance Champions will be going to Baltimore, MD to compete in the I.G.R.A. Country Western Dance Finals on July 31, 1998. Good Luck to all Contestants!!!!!!

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Every year at Pride or during the Pride season, I like to reflect on what Pride means to me. This year I am celebrating my Pride in being a member of GSGRA San Diego, GSGRA and IGRA. This year has been a hard one for the organization. The Pride of our members, has and will, pull us through. Perhaps this year when you're celebrating Pride, take time and celebrate the Pride in yourself and in our great organization. I hope everyone has a safe, happy Pride. See you all in San Diego in July.

KUDOS

Thanks to all of you that came out to the Stuffing Party. We stuffed over 1,000 envelopes! "WOOF" Thanks to **Dan, Charles Joseph, Ric, Robert, J.J., Ken, Kelly, Chris, Ed, Marshall, Scott and Michael.**

Thanks to **Paul and Don** for obtaining our office supply needs.

Thanks to **David P.** for all his hard work and input for the great Mexican Dinner fundraiser

Thanks to all of you who come out for our fundraisers and meetings.

Congratulations to our new Treasurer, **Del Castillo.** Del has been serving as our Interim Treasurer since we lost our last Treasurer. Good Luck!

Good bye to **George M.** We will miss you. Good Luck in Arizona.

Nancy Novak

CONGRATULATION DANCERS

Congratulations go to **Tiy and Paul, Daniel and Mark.** The four are members of the Greater San Diego Chapter and competed in the 8th Annual GSGRA Country Western Dance Competition at the Los Angeles Rodeo in April.

Tiy Ocasio Torres and Paul Casey were named Dance Champions in Division II - Intermediate. **Daniel Greene and Mark Balmer** were named Dance Champions in Division IV - First Time.

The fab four continue the long history of Dance Champions coming from the San Diego Chapter. **Good Luck at Nationals**

GREATER SAN DIEGO CHAPTER - JULY 1998

BOOTS & BRIEFS

Our **Boots & Briefs** contest starts off our Rodeo weekend on Thursday night. The Chapter is looking for **contestants** and **sponsors** for this year's Boots & Briefs contest. This is a fun event and has raised over \$13,500 for local charities.

If you are not familiar with the event, let me explain. 10 to 15 individuals (male & female) volunteer to appear as contestants. Each contestant appears in various outfits and finally in their "Boots & Briefs". Once all the contestants have been presented, their "Briefs" are auctioned off to the highest bidder. Of course this is all accomplished in fun and no nudity is

permitted.

If you are interested in becoming a contestant, please contact the San Diego Rodeo office at (619) 298-4708 and leave a message on J.J.'s voice mail ext. 5536.

BELT BUCKLE ORDERS

This year, as in every year, we are offering our hard working Rodeo Coordinators and Chapter Chairpersons the opportunity to purchase Rodeo Buckles. These buckles will come engraved with your title and name on the buckle. The cost is \$130.00. Payment is due by July 21 at Rodeo Roundtable Mtg. Order forms are available at the office or by contacting **Robert K.**

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
Sun	July 12	11AM- 3PM	Appreciation Beach Party at The Hole
Sun	July 12	3PM -8PM	Rodeo Playday/Beach Party at The Hole
Tue	July 21	7 PM	Rodeo Roundtable Meeting
	July 25 & 26		San Diego Pride
	July 29 to Aug 3		IGRA Convention at Baltimore, MD.

DATES FOR AUGUST 1998

Sun	August 2		CITYFEST
Wed	August 5	6 PM	Board Meeting
Wed	August 5	7 PM	General Membership Meeting
Fri	August 7	7-10 PM	Playday at Kickers
	August 14 - 16		Campout at Rick Washburn's
Tue	August 18	7 PM	Rodeo Roundtable Meeting

FREE

Rodeo Beach Party at the Hole

Sunday July 12 11 am - 3 pm

**BEACH ATTIRE
ENCOURAGED**

The San Diego Chapter is having a "Beach Party" at The Hole on Sunday July 12 from 11 am to 3 pm.

This is an appreciation party to say Thank You to everyone and anyone for helping with the production of our 1998 event.

Food and two kegs of Miller Lite will be provided!

Contact the Rodeo Office and leave a message for Charles at Mailbox 2269 or Robert at Mailbox 7565 for information on **FREE** Passes

The HOLE
2820 Lytton St
(619) 226-9019

The Appreciation Beach Party will be followed by a Rodeo PlayDay from 3-8 pm.



IT'S TIME FOR SAN DIEGO PRIDE

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) 298-4708 and leave a message for 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 and to enjoy the dancing and entertainment at the **COUNTRY / WESTERN VILLAGE** which will again be sponsored and organized by the San Diego Chapter.



From the Desk of the V.P.

Hello everyone. This month I would like to touch on some things that have been bothering me lately when I think about the hard work and time our volunteers put in at our Rodeos.

First off I would like to take the time to say thank you for the many hours of hard work our volunteers put in preparing for and then during our rodeos. I know it can't be the lack of sleep during the event that keeps bringing them back for more punishment. It has to be the joy on our guest faces and the many e-mails we receive afterwards, telling us what a wonderful time our guest and contestants had. This is what makes it all worth it.

Secondly with our membership count ever decreasing I wonder what are we doing as an organization to increase membership. We are the organization. I believe we all share the responsibility of talking up our Rodeos and our organization. We must all take on the challenge and try to recruit new members. I would

like to challenge each Chapter Officer to recruit 5 new members which would mean each chapter would grow by 25 new members. This is a challenge but I believe is attainable, The organization needs new blood, not only to help in producing rodeos, but for the many other FUN activities that we do during the year.

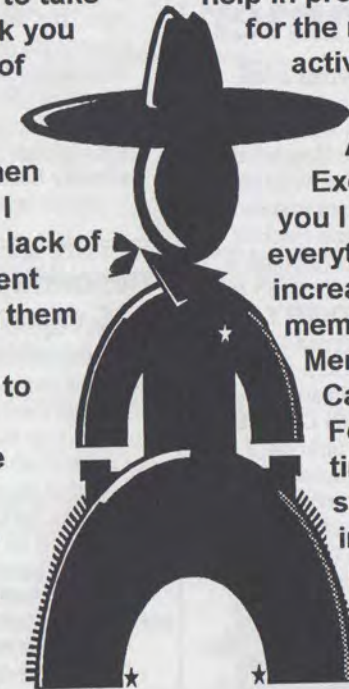
As your state Executive VP, I assure you I am going to do everything possible to increase the organizations membership. Carry a Membership Application Card and GSGRA, Tri-Fold with you all the times. That way if someone asks for information you can provide it right then and there.

I am still looking for volunteers for the

State Dance Committee and Royalty Committee you can e-mail me at BillieG69@aol.com. Let me know your ideas and comments

Thanks for your time, and lets have a wonderful year in 1998/1999.

Bill Gorman
EVP GSGRA





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GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

Fun activities set for summer

Sue and Connie have put together a full slate of activities. Get out your calendar:

☛ **SUNDAY, JULY 12: BEACH BONFIRE**

6-9:30 p.m. at Bolsa Chica State Beach (off PCH between Warner and Golden West in Huntington Beach) between guard towers 17-18. Bring snacks, a beach chair (jackets suggested), and your own drinks (alcohol is prohibited, so be sneaky). Entrance is \$5-6.

☛ **SAT., JULY 18: ORANGE COUNTY FAIR**

Anyone interested in getting a group together? Call Sue or Connie at (714) 828-3438. Tickets are \$6 (or \$4 if we buy in advance).

☛ **SAT., JULY 25: BBQ & BARN DANCE**

Starting at 6 p.m. at the "world famous" Chicken Ranch (aka Mike Ferguson's place at Cal Poly Pomona). Bring something to BBQ, a side dish to share, and your own drinks (liquor OK!). We'll have music, dancing, and partying till the cows come home. (Suggestion: Bring a lawn chair and a jacket.) Exit the 57 Freeway at Temple; go west to University. Turn right on University. At the Beef Unit (where the cows are), turn left, and follow the signs from there.

☛ **SAT., AUG. 1: HORSEBACK RIDE**

10 a.m. to noon; meet at 9:30 a.m. at Osborne Stables, near Hansen Dam (follow Osborne up through the homes a few miles; it's on the opposite side of the California Polo Club). Rent a horse or bring your own (Note: Areas are rocky and the trail conditions are unknown because of recent rains). Cost is \$20-25. **Reservation required** by July 26; call Sue or Connie at (714) 828-3438.

☛ **SAT., AUG. 22: BEACH BONFIRE**

At Bolsa Chica State Beach 6-930 p.m.

PICK YOUR COMMITTEE!

► Committee chairs serve for one year, and with a new board comes the chance for you to get involved with the committee of your choice. Call David at (562) 436-1810 and let him know what you'd like to do. Except for Bylaws and Events (which have already been nabbed), all are open!

Bimonthly meetings OKd; LAC represented on new board

At the June meeting, members voted to hold the chapter's general membership meetings every other month. During the months that there isn't a general meeting, an open-to-the-public meeting of the Executive Board will be scheduled. So ...

☛ The July 4 meeting at the Burbank Hilton will be an Executive Board Meeting (but everyone's welcome!).

☛ The Aug. 8 meeting is moved to the Center in Los Angeles.

A revised meeting schedule for the rest of 1998 will appear in the next newsletter.

Members also elected a new Executive Board that includes not one but two former members of the L.A. Central chapter:

President: David Medzerian

VP/Administration: Amy Griffin

VP/Rodeo Operations: Steve Creber

Secretary: Lenore Mankoff

Treasurer: Thom Brennan

Special thanks to outgoing officers Mike DeYonker, Joe Olney and Nils Peterson, who decided not to seek re-election. To the rest of you we say: Congratulations! Now get to work.

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 each month. ■ The chapter logo, "L.A. Rodeo" logo, rodeo poster, newsletter and web site are Copyright 1998 GSGRA-GLAC, a California non-profit corporation. Any use without prior permission is a violation of federal copyright law.

CALENDAR

J U L Y

Saturday, July 4 **CHAPTER BOARD MEETING**
10 a.m. at the Burbank Airport Hilton

Saturday, July 4 Chapter trip to the
evening Hollywood Bowl

July 10-12 North Star Regional Rodeo,
St. Paul, Minn.

Saturday, July 11 GSGRA State Board meeting,
Sacramento

Sunday, July 12 Chapter beach bonfire
6-9:30 p.m. (see facing page)

July 17-19 Denver rodeo

Saturday, July 25 Chapter barbecue and barn dance,
Cal Poly Pomona (see facing page)

July 25-26 San Diego Pride Festival
(parade on Saturday)

July 29-Aug. 1 IGRA convention, Baltimore

A U G U S T

Aug. 1 Chapter horseback ride
(see facing page)

Aug. 7-9 Wichita and Detroit rodeos

Saturday, Aug. 8 **CHAPTER GENERAL MEETING**
2 p.m. at the Center,
1625 N. Schrader Blvd.,
L.A.

AUGUST MEETING MOVED TO L.A.

Aug. 14-16 Zia Regional Rodeo, Albuquerque

Aug. 15-16 Orange County Pride Festival
(parade on Sunday)

Saturday, Aug. 22 Chapter beach bonfire

S E P T E M B E R

Sept. 5-6 Show-Me State Rodeo, Kansas City

Saturday, Sept. 12 **CHAPTER BOARD MEETING,**
location to be announced



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CALL DAVID TO BECOME A COMMITTEE CHAIR

MONEY

GSGRA, Inc Balance Sheet As of May 31, 1998

	May 31, '98
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
WFB - David Watkins Fund	984.30
WFB - General Operating	-250.00
WFB - Savings	6,306.30
WFB Rodeo Sanction	25,031.52
Total Checking/Savings	32,072.12
Total Current Assets	32,072.12
Other Assets	
Equipment	2,307.28
Total Other Assets	2,307.28
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>34,379.40</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	34,150.90
Retained Earnings	-2,600.00
Net Income	2,828.50
Total Equity	34,379.40
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>34,379.40</u>



"POST RODEO VOLUNTEERISM"

GSGRA, Inc Profit and Loss YTD May 1998

	May '98	Mar - May '98
Income		
Dance Contest		300.00
Interest Income		300.00
David Watkins	1.56	4.88
Money Market Acct	9.62	20.92
Rodeo Sanction	46.64	146.07
Total Interest Income	57.82	171.87
Membership Income		
Membership Dues	1,635.00	5,210.00
Name Tags	0.00	20.00
Total Membership Income	1,635.00	5,230.00
Total Income	1,992.82	5,701.87
Expense		
Banking		
Service Charges	25.00	64.00
Total Banking	25.00	64.00
Buckle Sponsorships	400.00	400.00
Dance Contest Expenses	0.00	198.26
General Administrative		
Telephone	53.88	141.69
Trustee Expenses	131.60	131.60
Total General Administrative	185.48	273.29
Membership		
Name Tags	251.51	363.29
Newsletter	184.69	280.53
Total Membership	436.20	643.82
State Convention Expenses	794.00	1,294.00
Total Expense	1,840.68	2,873.37
Net Income	<u>152.14</u>	<u>2,828.50</u>

*Money makes the world go around....
the world go around.....
the world go around.*

**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

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

PRIMARY MEMBER		CHAPTER AFFILIATION
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.
ADDRESS		
CITY		
STATE/ZIP		
BIRTHDAY	/ / <small>Year Optional</small>	
PHONE #		
All new members receive an engraved G.S.G.R.A. name badge. Please print here the way you would like us to engrave yours.		<input type="checkbox"/> GREATER L.A.
DATE		<input type="checkbox"/> BAY AREA
SIGNATURE		<input type="checkbox"/> GREATER SAN DIEGO
FAMILY MEMBER		<input type="checkbox"/> CENTRAL SIERRA
NAME		<input type="checkbox"/> CAPITOL CROSSROADS
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DATE		
SIGNATURE		

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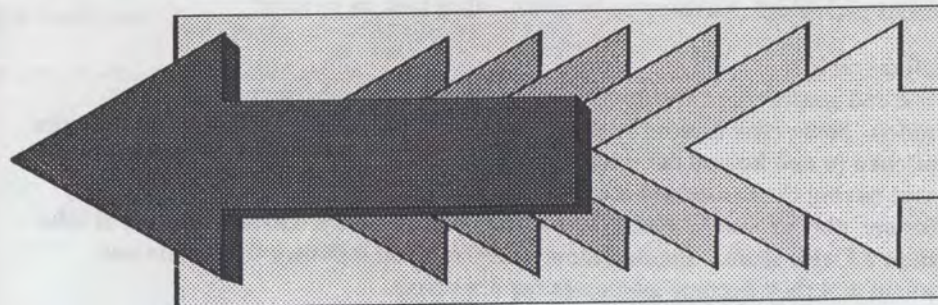
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*Mama
Membership
says.....*

*DO IT.... DO IT....
DO IT.... DO IT....
AND THEN.....
DO IT*



**Invite
a friend
to join
the
GSGRA Team**



BAY AREA CHAPTER



Words From The BAC President...

So many thoughts are running through my head now that the rodeo is over...

- ...was it a success?
- ...how could we make it better?
- ...what made it memorable?
- ...should we do it again?
- ...why weren't more people there?
- ...how do we thank everyone who organized, volunteered, supported, competed, entertained, lost sleep, guided from above
- ...how can we make the rest of the year fun too?

Well, let's look at these one at a time.

Success?

I think so, our charter is to foster C/W activities in the gay community and to educate our members on event production. We did that. Ask any of our guests if they had a good time or anyone on the round table if they learned anything new...it would be a resounding YES.

Better?

Always room for improvement, but let's take stock of what we did this year and build on that. Thursday night disco parties, while fun, are not yet huge crowd pullers, but after looking at San Jose Gay Pride and seeing THOUSANDS of dancers enjoying non-county music, it's something we MUST continue to do. The Petting Zoo? You bet. Awards to contestants for non-event activities? Another no-brainer...what took us so long?

Memorable?

We had guests who came back because of the atmosphere created at our rodeo. Some even hunted us down to say how friendly we all were. A few even pitched in and helped out with last minute work...God love those folks. As I said during the contestant meeting on Saturday morning, our spectators pay for our play ground...ignore them or keep them on the outside and they'll take their \$\$ with them. Include them and give them a chance to see into our world and they become advocates for our cause.

Again?

We'll decide as a group in July. Don't miss the membership meeting. **ESPECIALLY** contestants...if you want a playground in your back yard...we need your support all year long! We'll be electing officers at the August membership meeting. It will be on August 20. Location to be announced. We're looking for a President, VP Administration, VP Rodeo Ops, Secretary, Treasurer, Rodeo Director. If you're interested, let me know.

More People?

Is bigger always better? Can we afford to keep it small? Are there sponsors we aren't tapping?

Thanks?

Some of these are easy with a letter or a note. Others take a few quiet moments alone with just their memory. Take that minute right now.

More FUN?

This is the heaviest question on my mind. How can we make being a member of the Bay Area Chapter fun? Why join if you don't compete? What are we besides a group of sadistic rodeo producers? Please folks, help me with the answer to this one. Let me know about ideas that you have for fun activities now that the rodeo is over. Word will get out and we'll be known as a great group to be a part of.

Enough rattling. As always, I'm open to comments and suggestions.

Doug

LATE BREAKING NEWS

We had our membership meeting last night and have changed our monthly meeting for JULY from Thursday, July 16 to Saturday, July 18. It will be at TJ and TerryLee's house as an afternoon BBQ and pool party. Details will follow. All members and guests are welcome.

Chapter Meetings

SATURDAY July 18th - Chapter Meeting

This month, the meeting will be an afternoon BBQ and pool party at TJ and Terry Lee's.

More details to follow.

Special Thanks

The BAC would like to thank all the volunteers who helped out at rodeo, whether you raked in the arena, took tickets at the gate, worked at the parties; no matter what you did, the rodeo could not have happened without you and your contribution.

Volunteers! Volunteers! Volunteers!

⇒ 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 chair, Bill Gorman (billieg69@aol.com).

Up & Coming Events



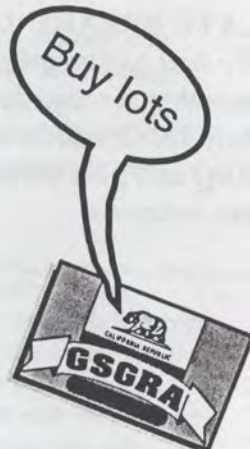
BINGO games are held every Wednesday at the Hyatt San Jose.

Spread the word!

BINGO!

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BAY AREA RODEO

SAN JOSE JUNE 6-7 1998

*****WOMENS EVENTS*****

BAREBACK BRONC

Debbie Andrews GSGRA 61

STEER RIDING

D.J. GSGRA 85

CALF ROPING ON FOOT

Bonnie Boone GSGRA 2.42

BREAK AWAY ROPING

Cindy McCormick GSGRA 24.54

BARREL RACING

Bonnie Boone GSGRA 37.84

Teryn Little GSGRA 38.04

Wendy Bearschild GSGRA 39.64

Sunny Rose GSGRA 39.83

Lisa Joyce GSGRA 39.97

Trenda Monnahan OGRA 40.35

Lisa Joyce GSGRA 41.10

Renee Rettstatt GSGRA 42.40

POLE BENDING

Lisa Joyce GSGRA 47.99

Cristy Cotton GSGRA 48.01

Lisa Joyce GSGRA 51.10

Teryn Little GSGRA 51.90

Sunny Rose GSGRA 52.28

Wendy Bearschild GSGRA 52.37

Debby Freeman GSGRA 53.26

Renee Rettstatt GSGRA 53.36

FLAG RACING

Cindy McCormick GSGRA 22.42

CHUTE DOGGING

D.J. GSGRA 5.03

Lisa Joyce GSGRA 5.83

Trenda Monnahan OGRA 9.18

Zale Harris GSGRA 14.09

Judy Galva GSGRA 31.78

Marci Garcia GSGRA 39.25

*****TEAM EVENTS*****

STEER DECORATING

Kirk Carter GSGRA 17.67

David Renier GSGRA

Philip Lucier GSGRA 18.35

David Renier GSGRA

Al Wright GSGRA 21.56

Amy Griffin IIGRA

Andy Anaya AGRA 23.17

Russell Schnitz OGRA

Judy Galvan GSGRA 26.3

Cindy McCormick GSGRA

Anita Martini GSGRA 38.56

Sandy Natcher GSGRA

Kevin Mock GSGRA 29.34

Craig Mount GSGRA

Charlie Colella GSGRA 30.43

Tim Haskin GSGRA

GOAT DRESSING

Philip Lucier GSGRA 22.68

Drew Oberbeck GSGRA

Chuck Browning AGRA 22.8

Brian Helander AGRA

Kevin Mock GSGRA 23.7

Craig Mount GSGRA

Doug Graff GSGRA 23.93

Clayton Jacobsen GSGRA

Jason Hott GSGRA 24.37

Rod Vilencia GSGRA

Troy Clark GSGRA 24.56

Kevin Kretsinger GSGRA

Andy Anaya AGRA 26.44

Russell Schnitz OGRA

Cynbad GSGRA 32

Renee Rettstatt GSGRA

WILD DRAG RACE

Andy Anaya	AGRA	14.86
Cindy McCormick	GSGRA	
Russell Schnitz	OGRA	
Charlie Colella	GSGRA	41.71
Lisa Joyce	GSGRA	
Daryll Kessler	GSGRA	
Sandy Anaya	AGRA	43.34
Chuck Browning	AGRA	
Brian Helander	AGRA	
Mary Munger	OGRA	43.98
Antonio Contreras	GSGRA	
James Miller	GSGRA	
Teryn Little	GSGRA	47.54
Drew Oberbeck	GSGRA	
David Smith	GSGRA	

WILD DRAG RACE

Bonnie Boone	GSGRA	48.72
Randy Funderburk	GSGRA	
Steve Wollert	GSGRA	
Al Wright	GSGRA	50.65
Amy Griffin	IIGRA	
Marci Garcia	GSGRA	57.50
Doug Graff	GSGRA	
Jim Brown	MIGRA	

TEAM ROPING

Andy Anaya	AGRA	30.57
Russell Schnitz	OGRA	
Russell Schnitz	OGRA	75.51
Andy Anaya	AGRA	

*****MENS EVENTS*****

BULL RIDING

Frank Elam Jr	TGRA	152
Russell Schnitz	OGRA	151

BAREBACK BRONC

Waldo	GSGRA	127
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STEER RIDING

Russell Schnitz	OGRA	139
Randy Funderburk	GSGRA	139
Doug Graf	GSGRA	138

Frank Elam Jr	TGRA	137
Waldo	GSGRA	126
Chuck Browning	AGRA	121

CHUTE DOGGING

Chuck Browning	AGRA	7.85
Kirk Carter	GSGRA	10.91

SammyVan Galder	GSGRA	12.01
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Brian Helander	AGRA	12.55
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Jim Brown	MIGRA	25.53
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Kevin Mock	GSGRA	25.80
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Frank Elam Jr	TGRA	37.32
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CALF ROPING ON FOOT

Al Wright	GSGRA	1.92
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Patrick Kearns	GSGRA	2.31
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Kirk Carter	GSGRA	2.42
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Daryl Kessler	GSGRA	2.94
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POLE BENDING

Timmer Kinnell	AGRA	43.95
Andy Anaya	AGRA	46.59

Randy Funderburk	GSGRA	47.27
Daryll Kessler	GSGRA	48.31

David Renier	GSGRA	50.65
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Kirk Carter	GSGRA	51.01
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Dan Guevara	GSGRA	51.06
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David Renier	GSGRA	55.81
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FLAG RACING

Patrick Kearns	GSGRA	19.27
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David Renier	GSGRA	20.03
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Andy Anaya	AGRA	20.64
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Charlie Colella	GSGRA	20.78
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Russell Schnitz	OGRA	21.01
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BARRAL RACING

Dan Guevara	GSGRA	37.38
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David Renier	GSGRA	37.39
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Randy Funderburk	GSGRA	37.41
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Timmer Kinnell	AGRA	37.64
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Kirk Carter	GSGRA	37.93
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Daryll Kessler	GSGRA	38.6
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Andy Anaya	AGRA	38.92
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Chuck Browning	AGRA	39.00
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BREAKAWAY ROPING

Andy Anaya	AGRA	11.37
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*And the Stars of
San Jose.....*

ALL AROUND COWGIRL

Cindy McCormick

Cindy McCormick	GSGRA	415
Bonnie Boone	GSGRA	365
Sunnie Rose	GSGRA	250
Lisa Joyce	GSGRA	225
Trenda Monnahan	OGRA	215

ALL AROUND COWBOY

Russell Schnitz

Russell Schnitz	OGRA	594
Andy Anaya	AGRA	577
Chuck Browning	AGRA	432
Kirk Carter	GSGRA	422
David Renier	GSGRA	412



So what's next?

**Why San
Diego,
of course.**

See you there.....



What's the chatter...?

With the Bay Area Rodeo just in our past, the Capital Crossroads Chapter would like to congratulate some people who did an outstanding job. Congratulations to Cindy McCormick for winning Best All-Around Cowgirl and to Sammy Van Galder for taking 3rd place overall for Bull Riding. We would also like to mention that several members of the chapter competed in the rodeo as well, Nena Bradeen (Ms. GSGRA), Ed Brick (In Drag for the first time, and liking it), Alex Waller, Anne Kinney (Ms. GSGRA's wife), Cindy McCormick (Best All-Around Cowgirl) and Dennis James.

Hoedown at the Stonewall Stud

The 2nd annual barn dance was a success! We had lots of fun and lots of food. Special thanks goes out to several people: Sammy Van Galder for Chairing the event, Jimmy for spinning the tunes, Chuck Valdez for coordinating all of that great food, Paul Klien and Billy Hughes for assisting Chuck. And who could forget our state royalty Doug Graff (Mr. GSGRA) and Nena Bradeen (Ms. GSGRA) for their great performances. Also we would like to thank all of those members from the Bay Area who came all the way up to the sticks to have fun with us.

President's Corner

First I would like to address some housekeeping issues... Billy Hughes has been named acting Vice President of Rodeo Operations until elections in July. Zack (Herb Kreiter) has been named acting Secretary and Membership Director until a new board can be elected in July. Elections will be held at our next meeting, July 19th at my home. The meeting is a potluck and begins at 1PM, call 916-451-9439 for directions.

Just one last word from your current President:

Where there is a will there is a way. Do you have the will?

I would also like to thank CJ (Cary Jasgur) for serving as our Secretary for the last year. He did a wonderful job and we will miss all of his hard work.

State Board Meeting, July 12th

The Capital Crossroads Chapter will be hosting this quarter's board meeting. The meeting is scheduled for July 11th at the Townhouse (21st and P Streets, Sacramento). The meeting is scheduled to begin at 10AM. Hotel information will be sent to each chapter President as soon as it is available. Be sure to stick around Saturday night after the meeting for a fun filled night of Entertainment at Joseph's in the upstairs bar.

Events to watch for...

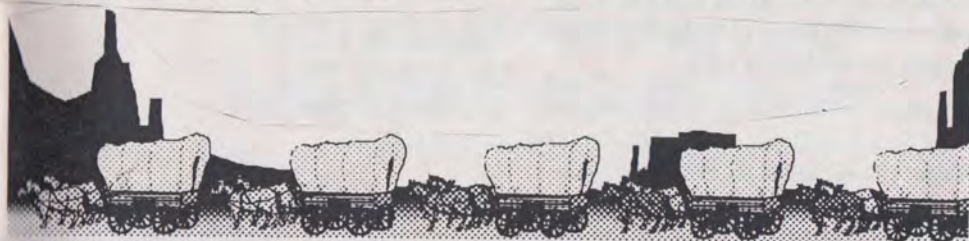
Every Tuesday is Rodeo Night at Joseph's. With your GSGRA Membership card you can get Happy Hour prices all night long. So come on down and join us for some Country Western Dancing and Great Fun.

Watch the August Chute for meeting times and locations. Rodeo meetings will be held at Joseph's on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

Calendar

July 11 – State Board Meeting. Townhouse 21st and P Streets, Sacramento, 10AM

July 19 – General Chapter Meeting and Elections of New Officers. Marshall's House (3980 McKinley Blvd), beginning at 1PM. Meeting is a potluck, so bring your favorite dish. Call 916-451-9439 for directions.



Royalty update...

Tons-o-fun goin' on this month! The San Jose Rodeo, Pride celebrations, bar dances, Pride Parades, Straight rodeo parades (yikes...I'm righting this before the parade...I hope I come back alive!) and a Visit to Camp Sunburst!

The month started off with a Bang for Nena and I at the San Jose Rodeo. They were both kept very busy between the arena, MCing and performing all weekend. We want to send a HUGE thank you Ms. IGRA Tamara Marks and Ms. NGRA, Laura

Scott, for helping us make it through the weekend. We would never have made it without you! We also used San Jose to test out a few of our contestants for the 99 team. I can see already that it's going to be a great competition! We need some help in Southern California though. Since we're both northerners, we don't have a chance to see your local folks as much. Get us a name and contact information and we'll follow up with them.

Nena performed at the Sacramento Gay Pride before booking out to the 2nd Annual Sacramento Barn Dance on June 13. I was able to spend some time at the Livermore rodeo gleaning ideas for grand entry before joining Nena at the Barn Dance where we put on a small show for the Capital Crossroads Chapter. It was a great night and the perfect setting for a real Barn Dance. Thanks for having us CCC!

I marched with the Bay Area Chapter in the San Jose Pride Parade on Sunday morning (yes, just 4 short hours after

the bar dance). Good thing I remembered the Sky Blue Orange Juice! It whipped me right back into Royal shape for the day.

This weekend I'll be singing at the River Business in Guernville in conjunction with the Stumptown Rodeo Festival. It's a California Cowboys Rodeo Assoc. rodeo. I've also been asked to sing on the River Business Float in the Rodeo parade on Saturday. It should be interesting to see the reaction to my twisting of a few popular lyrics.



To round out June, I'll be visiting Camp Sunburst to meet the kids and lead a few games and sing-a-longs. Camp Sunburst is a camp for kids with AIDS and their caregivers. The executive director was the Grand Marshall at the San Jose Rodeo. I will also be delivering a check for \$359 from the "Angels Among Us"

song that I sang on Sunday night at the San Jose Rodeo. Thank you all so much for your TREMENDOUS generosity. I know that money will mean a lot to Josh and Camp Sunburst.

I think that about does it. Remember, we're here to serve you...if Nena or I can lend a hand in your neck of the woods, please let us know.

I'm off to Guernville....

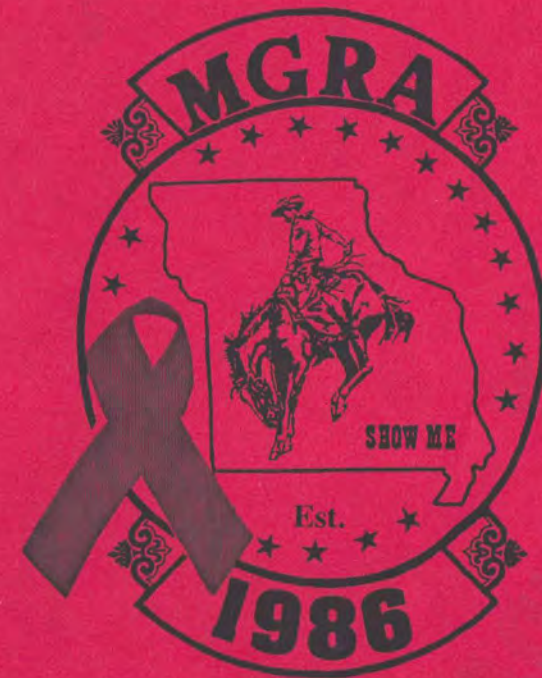
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Annual MGRA "Show Me State Rodeo"

Held in Kansas City, MO
September 3-6, 1998

Presented By:



RODEO INFORMATION
Bobbie St Jeor (816)697-3269 8am - 8pm



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**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
AMERICA**

American Cowboy is heading to Los Angeles next month for the 1998 Outfest film festival and we want to let IGRA member groups in California know all about it. *American Cowboy*, a documentary film, which features TGRA member Gene Mikulenska, and scenes from the 1996 IGRA Finals in Phoenix, will be one of the featured films in Los Angeles, California's, OutFest 98. *American Cowboy* will screen at the Director's Guild of America Theater No. 2 on Santa Monica Boulevard on July 17th at 7:00 p.m.

More information about Outfest 98 and *American Cowboy* can be found on *American Cowboy's* home on the Web at: <http://www.geocities.com/WestHollywood/1055>.

Hope to see ya'll at the screening.

Kyle Henry, Director Dan Delaney, Producer Cal Preece, Executive Producer