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OF



October 1998



## G.S.G.R.A. SHINES AT I.G.R.A. DANCE FINALS

On August 1, 1998, two dance teams representing G.S.G.R.A. won top honors at the I.G.R.A. Country Western Dance Finals in Baltimore, Maryland.

Tiy Ocasio Torres and Paul Casey represented our Golden State in Division II, the Intermediate Division. They were named the 1998 I.G.R.A. Dance Champions in their division II taking first overall with a very

impressive first in the Two Step, the Waltz and in Free Style. For Paul, this was his sixth and Tiys second appearance at this prestigious event.

Our second shining star was the team of Daniel Greene and Mark Balmer competing in Division IV, the First Time Division. They came in second place overall with a second in the Two Step and Waltz and a first in Free Style. This was the first time for Daniel and Mark at the I.G.R.A. annual Dance Competition and not their last, for sure.



### CALIFORNIA'S GOLD

Left to right: Tiy, Paul Mark, Daniel.

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## GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

### We're still looking for a newsletter editor...

David Medzerian has decided that his plate is full enough. Our chapter president, state IGRA trustee and rodeo grand-entry czar is stepping down as chapter newsletter editor. That leaves a great opportunity for someone to take over this rewarding job.

Yes, it's a lot of work, but in the last several months (thanks to E-mail) chapter members regularly submit items to be

included.

And since the state newsletter chair is our very own Joe Olney, you can usually buy yourself a one- or two-day extension on the deadline. (Also, David will gladly help you, though that could be a minus instead of a plus.)

If you're thinking about it, give David a call at (562) 436-1810.

#### BEACH BONFIRE OCT. 17

► Sue and Connie are continuing their string of great events for chapter members. Don't miss out on the fun of the next chapter bonfire, set for 6-10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17, at Bolsa Chica State Beach (off Pacific Coast Highway 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 \$6. These are always fun events — see you there!

#### A HALLOWEEN OFFER...

► Here's an easy way to raise a few bucks for the chapter. Stevan Bailey's team from Rawhide is planning on handling the beverage operation during the West Hollywood Halloween festivities on Santa Monica Boulevard. He'll need volunteers to help — volunteers who will earn work-grant money that the chapter will get! Interested in being right up front on Oct. 31? Let Stevan know at [Bcsca@aol.com](mailto:Bcsca@aol.com) and be sure to tell him you're with GSGRA-L.A.!

### Got an E-mail address? Let your chapter know it!

To keep everyone better-informed, I'm putting together a list of chapter members' E-mail addresses for my use.

I'll only use this list to send reminders of events, meetings and other news, and will never distribute the list to anyone.

If you have an E-mail address that I don't know about, please send it to me at [davidm@link.freedom.com](mailto:davidm@link.freedom.com) and I'll add it to my list.

Thanks!

— David Medzerian

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## CALENDAR

### OCTOBER

- Oct. 3-4 San Diego Rodeo
- Oct. 3-4 Atlantic Stampede, Washington, D.C.
- Saturday, Oct. 10 10 a.m. **CHAPTER MEETING, RODEO COMMITTEE MEETING** at the Center, 2017 E. Fourth St., Long Beach
- Saturday, Oct. 17 6-10 p.m. Chapter bonfire at Bolsa Chica State Beach (see previous page)
- Oct. 23-25 IGRA Finals Rodeo, Phoenix

### NOVEMBER

- Sunday, Nov. 1 10 a.m. **CHAPTER BOARD MEETING, RODEO COMMITTEE MEETING** at Hilton Burbank Airport
- Nov. 7-8 TGRA Rodeo, San Antonio
- Saturday, Nov. 14 GSGRA State Board meeting and Royalty Contest, San Jose

### DECEMBER

- Saturday, Dec. 5 10 a.m. **CHAPTER MEETING, RODEO COMMITTEE MEETING** at the Village, 1125 N. McCadden Place, Los Angeles
- Saturday, Dec. 12 Chapter holiday party at Thom Brennan's house, Eagle Rock

### JANUARY

- Saturday, Jan. 9 10 a.m. **CHAPTER BOARD MEETING, RODEO COMMITTEE MEETING** at the Red Carpet Club, John Wayne Airport, Orange County
- Jan. 15-17 Road Runner Regional Rodeo, Phoenix



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# Contestants

**By Craig Rouse,  
GSGRA President**

*Dear Rodeo Contestants, Dance Competitors and Royalty Contestants,*

*Thank you, many of you, if not all of you spend allot of money and time competing as a member of GSGRA across the Country. I am very proud of you! I am looking forward to the upcoming year and if you are invited to compete in the IGRA Finals Rodeo, no one will be yelling and supporting you more than myself. I am very proud of our Contestants and for the teamwork and the sharing of competing skills that you do.*

*Recently I was asked why I enjoy being President of GSGRA. My answer was not because GSGRA is the largest Association within IGRA, its not because we are the best, or the best organized. My answer was because of the members! I truly enjoy going to rodeos, Chapter meetings, State meetings, Dance and Royalty Contests because I (and Brad) enjoy seeing all of you. I love interacting with you (the members). I can not think of a better group of talented individuals I would rather "hang out" with. So.....Good Luck this upcoming Rodeo Season and again thank you, thank you for being a member, contestant, volunteer and my friends.*

# Sammy Says

*As the 1998 rodeo season comes to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Greater Los Angeles Chapter and the Bay Area Chapter for their hard work and tireless efforts in producing the Los Angeles Rodeo & Country Fair and the Bay Area Regional Rodeo. The time and effort involved in planning these events is*

**R** *unimaginable to most, but enjoyed by everyone that attended, contestants and spectators alike.*

**O** *My very best wished go out to the Greater San Diego Chapter as they focus on RODEO '98. Best of luck to all contestants as they compete for that buckle, money and ribbons, and most importantly, those points for the IGRA Finals*

**D** *Rodeo. Your host chapter has spent many hours of diligent planning to make the weekend enjoyable and safe for all. If attending RODEO '98, please take a moment to commend your hosts for their efforts and planning, and especially thank a volunteer for their commitment.*

**E** *Because there will be no other mailings before IGRA Finals Rodeo, my congratulations go out to all GSGRA contestants invited to finals. Good luck in all your events. Compete safely and bring home lots of awards. Let's make GSGRA shine in Phoenix.*

**O**  
*Sammy Van Galder  
V.P. Rodeo Opperation*

**Wanted:** *Energetic, otivated and outward thinking individuals to fill several openings for the upcoming 1999 IGRA Convention to be hosted by GSGRA in Long Beach in July / August, 1999. Get involved and see what IGRA is all about.*

## ASSISTANT HOTEL MANAGER

*Will help out in all aspects of the hotel including room schedules, on-site challenges and catering before, during and following the convention.*

## ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT MANAGER & ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT MANAGER

*Will be responsible for the complete administrative support during the convention to include computer management, copying services, and support to the IGRA Staff and Committee Chairs for all administrative functions.*

## DANCE COMPETITION MANAGER AND ASSISTANT DANCE COMPETITION MANAGER

*Responsible for planning and execution of all aspects of the IGRA Dance Competition.*

## CONVENTION MANAGER AND ASSISTANT CONVENTION MANAGER

*Responsible for the planning and running of the actual IGRA Convention to include set-up, sound and recording system, and logistics of the Convention Floor.*

## REGISTRATION & HOSPITALITY MANAGER ASSISTANT REGISTRATION & HOSPITALITY MANAGER

*Responsible for all aspects of Convention registration. Responsible for providing information and assistance to Convention registrants and guests for the entire event. This will include the staffing of an information and assistance center/desk in the hotel lobby from Wednesday through Sunday of Convention weekend.*

## FUNDRAISING MANAGER ASST. FUNDRAISING MANAGER

*Responsible for coordinating all fundraising efforts for the IGRA Convention.*

## ACTIVITIES MANAGER ASST. ACTIVITIES MANAGER

*Responsible for planning and putting together various forms of activities for the weekend.*



*There will be numerous other positions that will be created and need to be filled as necessary. We need your help and want you to have fun in the process. We need people from each chapter to help out in this endeavor.*

*Your 1998 IGRA CONVENTION PROJECT MANAGER is Mike DeYonker and your IGRA HOTEL MANAGER is David Medzerian.*





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## WHAT'S THE CHATTER?

The chapter enjoyed a nice weekend up at Calveras Big Trees. Marshall and Ed went up ahead of everyone to identify the spot and be able to greet everyone upon arrival. The campsite was at Big Meadows, which ended up being 5 miles past the 33 miles Marshall told everyone. Those who made it to the campsite saw the Red sign that stated CCRA 5 miles. Later in the evening Dean and Zack showed up and were one of the quickest to put up their tent (It was raining on them). The storm cleared as soon as the tent was up! Friday evening was cold, but nice at 6500 feet. On Saturday, the weather was much nicer, and the group went on a short hike, taking Trevor (Zack's dog). Trevor got stuck on some rocks in the creek, and wouldn't jump down into the water; he was such a baby! Sounded like someone was killing him, when everyone disappeared from the site. Later that afternoon Sammy showed up with his two dogs. On Sunday morning, we went on a little further hike, which took us to a beautiful waterfall area. Sammy got stuck carrying his dogs over part of the trip, and Zack though his dog was spoiled! In the afternoon, we drove up to Pacific Valley, to research other campsites for next year. What a beautiful place! We found an open meadow area with nice campsites, and a coral! The chapter is going to look at reserving the area for next summer.

The rodeo planning committee is well off to a good start! The rodeo set for August 20-22, 1999 will be held at the Rio Linda Rodeo grounds, with our host hotel the Beverly Garland. The sponsorship packet has just been completed, and the chapter is off and running looking for sponsors for the Capital Crossroads Sierra Stampede (CCSS). The rodeo committee was also successful in attaining a logo for the Sierra Stampede, and the artwork is in final stages of design. The rodeo committee would like to remind members that we need all the help we can get. Anyone interested in helping with any committee, please call the hotline at 916.451.9439.

## Rodeo Meeting September 20, 1999 at the Beverly Garland Hotel:

- Rodeo to be held at the Rio Linda Rodeo Grounds, secured the dates
- Sunday, October 11, 1998 will be the October Rodeo Meeting with a BBQ at Mike Silva's.
- Sponsorship Packet is completed and ready for printing
- Took a tour of the Beverly Garland, and everyone is excited
- Barn Dance has been tabled to the Quarterly Business Meeting (QBM)
- The QBM to be held at Lin Daughterly's house to include duck herding and goat dressing.

## PRESIDENTS CORNER

Summer has come to a close and the lazy days of August never materialized and the sleepy days of September were far from that. We had a very successful booth at the Rainbow festival, where we saw a great deal of you members. Thanks to Sammy Van Galder and Zack Kreiter for getting that together. A special thanks to Nena Kinney, our current Ms. GSGRA, and Annie for also being present to talk to prospects. And let's not forget Bill Hause and his wonderful ice cream concoction with "Arena Stuff". Afterwards we had a fun get together at the Mercantile. The camping trip was great, complete with a short lasting hail storm, a foraging deer in the middle of the night, great campfire, hiking complete with waterfalls, scouting out other camp sights for next year, and last but not least, a great walk through the Calaveras Big Trees. It is pretty awesome to walk through a tree for fifty feet – that is lying on its side!

We have some very special events coming up in October: The San Diego Rodeo and the Atlantic Stampede (in Washington D.C.). Please try to attend one of these and give our contestants your support. And contestants – do us proud! Best of luck and be sure to report back to Zack or myself your results so we can brag about you! We also have our quarterly business meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup> at Lin Daugherty's place. As we have mentioned, we want these to be fun. We will be having a potluck, goat dressing (or are they going to be sheep disguised as goats Lin?), and of course, duck herding. You haven't lived until you have tried it!! And, yes, we have a very important chapter meeting to vote on by-laws and a few



other very important items. Be there – we are at a critical juncture of this chapter and your input is important!

As mentioned we are making great progress on plans for the rodeo for 1999. We have secured the arena grounds and hotel, waiting to get formal approval from GSGRA at the state quarterly meeting on November 14, to complete that part of the process. Come to the meeting and find out what we have been up to! See you there (and in your nightmares if you're not).

## Calendar

### September

27 Folsom Street Fair

### October

2-4 San Diego Rodeo / Atlantic Stampede (Washington, D.C.)

4 Castro Street Fair

10 Country Night at Verona Village 7:30 PM - ???

11 BBQ at Mike Silva's / Rodeo Meeting

18 Quarterly Business Meeting at Lin's place

24 IGRA FINALS, Phoenix, AZ

30 The BOO BASH 8pm-2am

31 Halloween

### November

7 State Meeting at San Jose Hyatt

15 Rodeo Meeting

26 THANKSGIVING

### December

14 Rodeo Meeting

25 CHRISTMAS

31 NEW YEAR's EVE (Bring in 1999!)

## EVENTS

Two major events are coming up for the chapter in the month of October. First event on Saturday, October 10, the chapter will be hosting a country night at Verona Village off Garden Highway. Country dancing, to include the two-step, line dancing, and the swing, with music provided by DJ Laurie from 7:30 to whenever the cows come home. There will be drink specials, and of course the chapter's contestants will be on hand with yarns of the DC Rodeo and the San Diego Rodeo.

Directions: HWY 99 North to Marysville/Yuba City, take a left on Riego Road, which dead ends at the levy. Take a right onto Garden Highway, and Verona Village will be on your left-hand side, in less than 1 mile.

The next event will be held on the following day, Sunday, October 11, 1998 at Michael Silva's house. He will be hosting the Rodeo Meeting, and a BBQ/potluck. The rodeo meeting will start at 2pm, with BBQ and socializing starting at 4pm. Mike will be providing the Hotdogs and Hamburgers. Please bring a dish with you for the potluck portion. Please RSVP by the evening of October 9, 1998 at 916.454.3875. All are welcome, and bring a guest if you wish.

Directions: Take HWY 99 South to Fresno, take the 12<sup>th</sup> street exit, and make a right. Continue on 12<sup>th</sup> street over the over pass staying in the left-hand lane until you come to Freeport Blvd. At Freeport Blvd, take a left staying in the left-hand lane. You will go through 1 traffic light, and take your next left on Meer Avenue. A Kentucky Fried Chicken will be on the corner. Take Meer until it dead ends into Larson Way. Take a right onto Larson, and the house will be the second on your left. The house has blue siding. (4651 Larson Way)

Oooopppss.....Because of incorrect information supplied to the Chute, last month's edition contained some erroneous results from the IGRA Dance Championships. The GSGRA team of Mark Balmer and Daniel Greene took second place (not third) in the competition, which was held in Baltimore on August 1st in conjunction with the IGRA convention. The dancers, who are from San Diego, also took first place in the Freestyle category of the competition. Congratulations guys, and sorry!

(See our inside cover this month cuz they're cute too!)



*L.A. can go cheep if they want to!!*

The State Board meeting and our Royalty contest will be Nov. 7 (as in "seventh"). Both the meeting and the

Royalty contest will be in San Jose. *Reno Air* is advertising that they are starting Burbank-to-San Jose service on Oct. 1, with fares of \$37 each way.





Oct 1 - 4, 1998

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**CHAPTER BOARD ELECTIONS**

✦ **ELECTIONS:** That's right, it's that time of year again. We will be holding elections for the 1999 Board at our General Membership meeting on November 4, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in running for one of the Board positions, please see one of the members of the nominating committee. Or contact one of the present Board members. Nominations will also be taken from the floor on the night of the elections.

✦ If any members are interested in filling one of the Chapter Committee Chair or Rodeo Coordinator positions for the 1999 Rodeo year, we will be passing around a sign-up sheet for all position on the night of the elections. The 1998 Chapter Chairs and Rodeo Coordinators will have first right of refusal. That is, as long as they apply within a month of the November 4<sup>th</sup> General Membership meeting. Please let the board know right

away if you would like to continue with your current position or are interested in a new position.

Submitted by Nancy Novak

**VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR THE SAN DIEGO RODEO**

✦ **It's still not too late!** Even if you didn't get a chance to send in your Volunteer Sign-up form for the San Diego Rodeo you can still volunteer for the Rodeo. All you need to do is stop by the Volunteer Check-in booth at the Hotel and let us know what you can help out with.

✦ Volunteers get into the event they work FREE and also receive other awards specially made for and only available to volunteers.

✦ For more information, contact Dan at (619) 298-4708 ext. 3272 or see us at the Volunteer Check-in booth.

Submitted by Dan Bradford

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 ★ **All of us here at the G.S.G.R.A San Diego Chapter want to** ★  
 ★ **thank all the spectators, volunteers, entertainers, contestants,** ★  
 ★ **sponsors, vendors, officials and members that made the** ★  
 ★ **10th Annual San Diego Rodeo** ★  
 ★ **the great fundraising event that it is.** ★  
 ★ **We look forward to seeing you all again at the** ★  
 ★ **1999 San Diego Rodeo** ★  
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**GREATER SAN DIEGO CHAPTER - OCTOBER 1998**

**10<sup>th</sup> Annual**  
**San Diego Rodeo**  
**October 1 to 4, 1998**

DEL MAR FAIR-GROUNDS  
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DATES FOR OCTOBER 1998		DATES FOR NOVEMBER 1998	
Oct 1 - 4	SAN DIEGO 10th ANNUAL RODEO	Nov 4 6 PM	Board Meeting
Oct 7 6 PM	Board Meeting	Nov 4 7 PM	General Membership Meeting
Oct 7 7 PM	General Membership Meeting		BOARD ELECTIONS
Oct 20 7 PM	Rodeo Roundtable Meeting	Nov 14 TBA	Chapter Dinner (tentative)
		Nov 17 7 PM	Rodeo Roundtable Meeting

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	Ken Valdez	5825	<b>Merchandise</b>	Ric Wenzel	7936
	Nancy Novak	6668	Asst	Charles Bowling	2289
<b>State Rep Alternates</b>	Ellis Rose	3767	<b>Program</b>	Nancy Novak	6668
	Robert Kojima	7565	Asst	David Spence	3773
<b>Community Outreach</b>	Nancy Novak	6888	<b>Publicity</b>	David Spence	3773
<b>Donations</b>	Nancy Novak	6668	<b>Security</b>	Lance Sharp	5742
<b>Finance</b>	<b>OPEN</b>		<b>Set design</b>	Neil Holmes	6465
<b>Exec VP</b>	<b>Robert Kojima</b>	<b>7565</b>	<b>Tickets</b>	Ed Wallum	3925
<b>Education</b>	Ken Valdez	5825	Asst	Angie Blumer	2258
<b>Membership</b>	Marshall Kline	8554	Asst	Michael Brower	6276
	Paul Fox	7369	<b>Treasury</b>	Del Castillo	3227
	Robert McNeese	7626	<b>Vendors</b>	Don Teeter	3833
	Charles Bowling	2289		Paul Fox	7369
<b>Asst</b>	Marshall Kline	6554	<b>Volunteers</b>	Dan Bradford	3272
<b>Events &amp; Activities</b>	Robert Kojima	7565		Kelly Gilliland	5445
<b>Pride (Parade)</b>	Clay Wright	2974	Asst.	Chris Bell	2235
<b>Pride (Festival)</b>	<b>J.J. Jennings</b>	<b>5536</b>	Asst.	Annie Carroll	2227
<b>Asst</b>	David Pickle	3742	Asst.	Charles Bowling	2269
<b>VP Rodeo Ops</b>	Nancy Novak	6888	<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Paul Fox</b>	<b>7369</b>
<b>Rodeo Director</b>	Paul Fox	7369	<b>Archives</b>	Michael Brower	6276
<b>Asst. Rodeo Director</b>	David Pickle	3742	<b>Bylaws</b>	OPEN	
<b>Roundtable Secretary</b>	Robert Kojima	7565	Asst	Lance Sharp	5742
<b>Arena Coordinator</b>	Joseph Berry	5237	<b>Newsletter</b>	Dan Bradford	3272
<b>Awards</b>	Kirk Carter	5227	<b>Treasurer</b>	Del Castillo	3227
	Robert Kojima	7565	<b>Systems Support</b>	Ed Wallum	3925
	Mark Church	6248	Asst	Ric Wenzel	7936
<b>Contestant Rep.</b>	Robert Kojima	7565	<b>Office Manager</b>	Don Teeter	3833
<b>Entertainment</b>	Mark Church	6248			
	Robert Kojima	7565			
<b>Asst</b>	Rick Hensley	7436			
<b>Fundraising</b>	Keith Cooper	5266			
<b>Hoedown/Sound</b>					
<b>Hospitality</b>					

Positions Still Available! Interested?  
 Contact: Nancy Novak (619) 462-5078



GSGRA, Inc  
Balance Sheet  
As of August 31, 1998

Aug 31, '98

<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
WFB - David Watkins Fund	989.36
WFB - General Operating	208.29
WFB - Savings	3,265.55
WFB Rodeo Sanction	25,183.31
Total Checking/Savings	29,646.51
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	8,241.58
Total Accounts Receivable	8,241.58
Total Current Assets	37,888.09
Other Assets	
Equipment	2,307.28
Total Other Assets	2,307.28
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>40,195.37</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	42,392.48
Retained Earnings	-2,610.00
Net Income	412.89
Total Equity	40,195.37
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>40,195.37</b>

GSGRA, Inc  
Profit and Loss  
August 1998

Aug '98

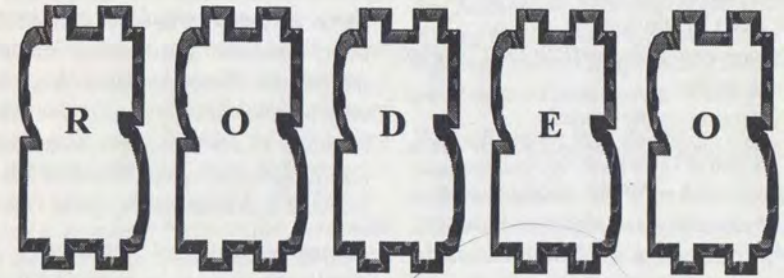
<b>Income</b>	
Interest Income	
David Watkins	1.67
Money Market Acct	3.21
Rodeo Sanction	50.16
Total Interest Income	55.04
Membership Income	
Membership Dues	
Memberships New	467.50
Memberships Renewal	557.50
Total Membership Dues	1,025.00
Total Membership Income	1,025.00
Total Income	1,080.04
<b>Expense</b>	
General Administrative	
Banking	
Return Items	55.00
Service Charges	15.00
Total Banking	70.00
Meeting Expenses	
Board Travel	200.00
Total Meeting Expenses	200.00
Telephone	33.93
Trustee Expenses	250.00
Total General Administrative	553.93
Membership	
Copier	12.90
Name Tags	75.95
Newsletter	108.93
Postage	250.00
Total Membership	447.78
Total Expense	1,001.71
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>78.33</b>

GSGRA, Inc  
Profit and Loss  
August 1998

Aug '98

Mar - Aug '98

<b>Income</b>			
Dance Contest	0.00		300.00
David Watkins Memorial Fund	0.00		380.00
Interest Income	55.04		353.09
Membership Income	1,025.00		7,968.00
Merchandise Sale	0.00		12.00
State Convention	0.00		720.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>1,080.04</b>		<b>9,733.09</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
Buckle Sponsorships	0.00		400.00
Dance Contest Expenses	0.00		198.26
General Administrative	553.93		1,918.73
IGRA Convention	0.00		2,620.00
Membership	447.78		2,089.21
State Convention Expenses	0.00		1,294.00
Taxes	0.00		800.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>1,001.71</b>		<b>9,320.20</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>78.33</b>		<b>412.89</b>



GSGRA, Inc  
P&L Budget Comparison  
March through August 1998

	Mar - Aug '98	Budget	\$ Over Budget
<b>Income</b>			
Dance Contest	300.00	975.00	-675.00
David Watkins Memorial Fund	380.00	600.00	-220.00
Interest Income	353.09	372.00	-18.91
Membership Income	7,968.00	7,560.00	408.00
Merchandise Sale	12.00	600.00	-588.00
State Convention	720.00	1,000.00	-280.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>9,733.09</b>	<b>11,107.00</b>	<b>-1,373.91</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
Buckle Sponsorships	400.00	400.00	0.00
Dance Contest Expenses	198.26	500.00	-301.74
Education	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
General Administrative	1,918.73	2,352.00	-433.27
IGRA Convention	2,620.00	2,500.00	120.00
Membership	2,089.21	2,550.00	-460.79
Merchandise	0.00	778.00	-778.00
State Convention Expenses	1,294.00	1,200.00	94.00
Taxes	800.00	800.00	0.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>9,320.20</b>	<b>12,080.00</b>	<b>-2,759.80</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>412.89</b>	<b>-973.00</b>	<b>1,385.89</b>



## An Easy Exam for men

By...Brad Roberts, RRxt, EMT

*It's important and easy for men to check themselves for signs of testicular cancer. Performing a self-exam is simple.*

*After a warm bath or shower, gently roll each testicle between your thumb and forefinger. Check for any swelling or hard lumps on the front or sides of the testicles. While performing this exam, you should notice a cord that runs along the back of each testicle. Don't confuse this with a lump. Here's what to look for during a self-exam.*

*Any small, hard, pea sized mass on the front or sides of the testicle.  
An enlargement of the testicle or a change in its look or feel.  
A heavy feeling in the testicle.  
Pain or discomfort in the testicle or groin.*

*If you notice any of these changes, you don't necessarily have cancer. But the earlier it is detected, the better. So call your doctor ASAP.*

## David Watkins Memorial Fund

*The David Watkins Memorial Fund was created in memory of David Watkins, a founding member of GSGRA. The fund is intended to provide assistance to members of GSGRA who have been invited to participate in the IGRA finals rodeo.*

*This fund shall be financed primarily through fund-raisers produced by the GSGRA Royalty. Applications for reimbursement shall be made available to all persons participating in the IGRA Finals Rodeo. To obtain an application by sending a detailed accounting of all expenses incurred by the participant, receipts (or copies) for all expenses in which reimbursement is requested, and proof of participation in the Finals. The deadline for submission of your*

*application shall be sixty (60) days following completion of Finals. No application shall be accepted before the completion of Finals. If you have any questions contact GSGRA Executive Board members or State Board of Directors. Application must be mailed to; GSGRA 4226 East 15th Street, Long Beach, CA 90804*

## From the desk of our V.P.

*I would like to extend an INVITATION to you to the UPCOMING ROYALTY Contest be held at the San Jose Airport Hyatt on Nov 7th 1998, and to visit your State Board Representatives in action at one of their normally scheduled meetings and, of course, members are always welcome to attend. The San Jose Hyatt is giving us a very Special Room rate for this day. Room rate is \$ 55.00 to make reservations please call Donna Labriola on (408)793-3973 and she will take care of your reservations.*

*Remember Royalty Contestant YOUR Applications must be in by October 7th. This should be a Great Year for the Royalty Team. Lets show our support for the great job there do representing GSGRA throughout the year.*

*I would like to congratulate the chairperson for the Dance Committee which is Ellis Rose. I know he will do a GREAT Job along with the help from the rest of his committee. Remember if you know of anyone interested in working on a committee please let us know. The more people we have involved the better the production of the event.*

*If you have any questions or concerns please hesitate to write me at BillieG69@aol.com or call me on (408)926-8485.*

*Bill Gorman  
Executive VP*

## Cochinas on the loose in Las Vegas!

*Probably a good thing I left my sash at home for this one. It wasn't really royalty related, but we did do some bonding with a few NGRA members. Does that count? I spent the last weekend in August with a few BAC members in Vegas. A good time was had by all...and some an even better time, but I'm not one to gossip. Anyway, thanks to AA, PC, JA and Miss Wolfie for showing me a great time in the Sin City.*

*Anyway, back to business. It's been an exciting, busy month! I did another video taping at a community college in Los Altos. People actually saw it on the cable access station and called me! That was surprising. Another video I've been working on is my Mr. IGRA Horsemanship. Too bad I wasn't as good a rider as the horse Brian put me on for my shooting! After about an hour of intense coaching and "feeling it". We were able to get a couple good shots before the battery ran out on the camera! We'll do it again and take a longer extension cord with us next time. A huge thank you to Brian H. for helping with my tape.*

*I've been reviewing for my IGRA interview as well. Things are going well, but it would be great if you all would send me an email with a quiz question in it! Obviously, don't send the answer, make me find it and send it back. You can send them to MRGSGRA@bigfoot.com*

*Last weekend I hosted a fund raiser at my house for a BAC member who is battling cancer. The chapter donated a check at our Annual membership meeting and I agreed to host an additional fundraiser. It was incredible fun! Lenora Almadova, Miss Vina Las Vegas and Winnie and the Rocketts performed. The Jimmy Buffet themed party was complete with waterbed stage and back drop. Talk about neighbors peeking over the fence. The Rocketts were a last minute addition to the show line-up. Seems a few party guest spent a little too long in the Margarita mix and then*

*discovered Winnie's closet. Next thing you know they were stealing the show. Thanks Steve T. and Richard for helping out. All the entertainers were great and they all donated their tips back. Thanks to all who made it out and showed our member in need that rodeo blood is thicker than last year's party. Special thank you to our State President, Craig Rouse, who came to my rescue on Saturday morning when I realized I had bitten off more than I could chew He's great in the kitchen and had my menu whipped into shape at in no time. Thanks to TJ and TerryLee for building the stage too.*

*On Sept. 19 and 20, I'll be making a journey to the Fresno Out Fest. I'll be performing at Two local bars, one country-one leather, on Saturday night and then during the festival on Sunday. I'm really looking forward to spreading the Rodeo word in the Fresno area. Wish me luck.*

*We're heading into the last several weeks of fundraising for the David Watkins memorial fund. We'll be hitting the San Diego Rodeo with a vengeance. Neena has secured a donated buckle for which we will be selling raffle tickets. Remember contestants, this money is for you, any talking up you can do will help YOU!*

*That's it for now. Remember, we're still looking for Royalty contestants for next year...and no folks, the Bay Area does not have all the positions sewn up, but if using that excuse keeps you from running...you probably aren't cut out for the job anyway. But, if you're seriously (hell even casually) interested, please call me and I'll give you an idea of what the position(s) are about.*

*We're planning a great party in November for the 98-99 Royalty competition. So make your plans now to attend the State Board Meeting and Royalty contest in San Jose, November 6-8.*

*See you all in San Diego!*

*Doug Graff  
408-261-3259 or  
mrgsgra@bigfoot.com*



# BAY AREA CHAPTER



## Words From The BAC President...

I would like to thank the new officers of the Bay Area Chapter

President: Bill Gorman  
Executive VP: Brian Syth  
Rodeo Oper VP: Terrylee Allert  
Secretary: CJ Jasgur  
Treasurer: Adrian Artech

We have a lot of work to do this year with trying to get new corporate sponsors. We've had a big hit, and a ton of fun, with our Wednesday Night Bingo. However, we really need more involvement from the membership. The current members working on the Bingo Committee are getting a bit worn after working for the last nine months. We desperately need some relief. If anyone can volunteer at least one Wednesday a month this would give our regular members a breather once in a while. Please contact either myself or Co-chair Brian Syth at (408) 926-8485.

Let's have a great year full of fun and exciting things to do. The new officers will be hold a social gathering in the month of October. To get all the scoop on when and where be sure to call the hot line (415) 561-9228.

We will be trying to rotate the monthly membership meeting around the Bay Area to give everyone an opportunity to attend and provide their input for this GREAT association.

If you have any questions or concern please feel free to drop me a line on e-mail me at BillieG69@aol.com, or write me at PO Box 611033, San Jose, CA 95161-1033.

Bill Gorman  
BAC President

## Chapter Meetings

Check the Rodeo Hotline for the time and place of the October 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

## 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!

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

BINGO			
14	25	34	52 68
1	24	38	51 69
4	26	33	48 74
3	23	41	46 63
6	20	39	56 70

September 26<sup>th</sup> is Oakland Pride. Be there!

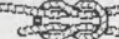
October 1-4 is the fabulous San Diego Rodeo

October 4<sup>th</sup> is the Castro Street Fair. Back by popular demand, a country western dance floor!

October 17<sup>th</sup> is Hoedown 98. The Second Annual (and a new San Francisco Institution) C&W Event benefiting The Aids Emergency Fund at the Galleria Design Center. For more information, call (415) 789-7254. Don't miss this!!

## BAC Contacts

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## 1998-1999 IGRA Schedule

### 12th Annual IGRA Finals

Phoenix, AZ October 22-25, 1998

### Texas Gay Rodeo

San Antonio, TX Nov 6-8, 1998

### Road Runner Regional Rodeo

Phoenix, AZ Jan 15-17, 1999

### Bighorn Rodeo

Las Vegas, NV March 5-7, 1999

### Saquaro Regional Rodeo

Tucson, AZ March 19-21 1999

### Greater LA Regional Rodeo

Los Angeles, CA April 9-11, 1999

### Great Plains Regional Rodeo

Little Rock, AK April 30 - May 2, 1999

### Bay Area Regional Rodeo

San Jose, CA June 4-6, 1999\*

### Heartland Regional Rodeo

Omaha, NE June 25-27, 1999

### Canadian Rockies International Rodeo

Calgary July 2-4, 1999

### Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo

Denver, CO July 9-11, 1999

### 15th Annual IGRA Convention

Long Beach, CA July 28 - Aug 1, 1999

### Greater Motown International Rodeo

Detroit, MI Aug 13-15, 1999

### Rodeo Wichita 99

Wichita, KS Aug 20-22, 1999

### Northern Sierra Rodeo

Sacramento, CA Aug 20-22, 1999

### Pikes Peak United Rodeo

Colorado Springs, CO Aug 27-29, 1999

### Windy City Gay Rodeo

Chicago, IL Aug 27-29, 1999

### Zia Regional Rodeo

Albuquerque, NM Sept 3-5, 1999

### MGRA Show Me State Rodeo

Kansas City, KS Sept 3-5, 1999

### Dixieland Regional Rodeo

Atlanta, GA Sept 10-12, 1999

### Greater San Diego Rodeo

San Diego, CA Sept 17-19, 1999

### Atlantic Stampede '99

Washington, DC Oct 1-3, 1999

### 13th Annual IGRA Finals Rodeo

Little Rock, AR Oct 28-31, 1999

## 1998-1999

### GSGRA Rodeo's & Events

#### Greater San Diego Rodeo

San Diego, Oct 1-4, 1998

#### State Board of Directors Meeting & Royalty Contest

San Jose, November 7

#### State Board of Directors Meeting

San Diego, February 1999

#### Greater LA Rodeo

Los Angeles, April 9-11, 1999

#### State Dance Competition

Los Angeles, April 10, 1999

#### State Annual Membership Meeting/Convention

(May 1999 TBA), Long Beach

#### Bay Area Regional Rodeo

San Jose, June 4-6, 1999\*

#### Northern Sierra Rodeo

Sacramento, August 20-22, 1999

#### State Board of Directors Meeting

(July 1999 TBA)

#### Greater San Diego Rodeo

San Diego, September 17-19, 1999

#### State Board of Directors Meeting & Royalty Contest

(November 1999 TBA)



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