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SPECIAL ELECTION

Congratulations to
Michael "Trigger"
Brower.

He was elected Chapter
Secretary at the March 3, 1999
General Membership meeting.

Submitted by Dan Bradford

MEETING TIME CHANGE

Beginning at the April 7 meeting, the format of the General Membership meetings will be a little different. From 7 to 7:15 pm we will have a little social time to greet old and new friends and get caught up on events, gossip, etc. The meeting itself will start at about 7:15 pm.

What is Splash Dance?

STATE BOARD REPRESENTATIVE ELECTION

The election for State Board Representatives will be held at the April 7, 1999 General membership meeting. When elected, these people are responsible to attend the State Board meetings (quarterly and as directed) to voice the concerns of the Chapter and its members to the State Board and to report back to the Chapter members on the workings and actions of the State Board. Each Chapter elects three Chapter and two Alternate Representatives for a

term of one year. They will be seated immediately following the Annual State Membership Meeting at the State Board Meeting. To be eligible, candidates must be actively affiliated with the Chapter for a period of at least one year prior to the election.

If you wish to run for this office, contact any Executive Board member to submit your name. Nominations will also be taken from the floor on the night of the election.

Submitted by Dan Bradford

I am always so PROUD when I attend one of our events. Remember that our goal is to make our guest feel as if they are at home, and welcome them back with open arms. Remember the LA Rodeo April 9-11 and of course our Dance Competition scheduled for April 10th at the Burbank Hilton, it should be great fun with a lot of wonderful talent. Hope to see you all there.

Lets Keep promoting rodeo and Membership. Take care and hope to see you all at LA Rodeo.

Bill Gorman EVP

It was spring in the old

west. The cowboys rode the still snow-choked trails looking for cattle that survived the winter. As one cowboy's horse went around the narrow trail, it came upon a rattlesnake warming itself in the spring sunshine. The horse reared and the cowboy drew his six-gun to shoot the snake.

"Hold on there, partner," said the snake, "don't shoot. I'm an enchanted rattlesnake, and if you don't shoot me I'll give you any three wishes you want."

The cowboy decided to take a chance. He knew he was safely out of the snake's striking range. He said, "OK, first, I'd like to have a face like Clark Gable, then, I'd like a build like Arnold Schwarzenegger, and finally, I'd like sexual equipment like this here horse I'm riding."

The rattlesnake said, "All right, when you get back to the bunkhouse you'll have all three wishes."

The cowboy turned his horse around and galloped at full speed all the way to the bunkhouse. He dismounted on the run and went straight inside to the mirror. Staring back at him in the mirror was the face of Clark Gable. He ripped the shirt off his back and revealed bulging, rippling muscles, just like Arnold Schwarzenegger's. Really excited now, he tore down his jeans, looked at his crotch and shouted, "My God, I was riding the mare

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Vegas Update

By: Mr. IGRA 99

Just a couple really quick announcements and then a request for input.

ANNOUNCEMENTS... Sammy Van Galder, Mr. GSGRA 99, won his first buckle ever this weekend at the 1999 Bighorn Rodeo (Las Vegas) in Men's Steer Riding. If you know Sammy, please congratulate him the next time you see him.

Debbie Freeman took 1st place in Women's barrel racing on Saturday. That is the first time she brought home a blue ribbon in this event. You go girl!

REQUEST FOR INPUT... I'm probably taking a huge risk by talking about the achievements of just these two folks when it seemed like every other contestant this weekend was from GSGRA. I tried to listen during the awards ceremony for "1st time stuff", but probably missed others, so I'm apologizing in advance. If you know of others, just "reply to all" and let us know.

Going forward, here's what I'm thinking. If you are at a rodeo this year and you discover a "1st Time Win", how about passing it on to our email list? When you get home just craft an email and send it to BAC-List@gsgra.org and then we'll all be in the loop.

I think it would be really cool if we could list all of our competitors and how they do at the rodeos they attend, but that's probably a bigger fish (Is it Larry?)

Thanks,
Doug

RODEO RULE INTERPRETATION

Rule II, Section 10, Paragraph C

At their January 15, 1999 meeting in Phoenix Arizona, the Trustees interpreted this Rule to mean:

"The additional late entry fee is \$10.00 per event for the weekend for a maximum of

\$100.00 and that heading and heeling in Team Roping is considered as one event."

I.G.R.A. By-laws and Standing Rules
It is not too early to start thinking about proposals to change Bylaws, Standing Rules or Dance Competition Rules. Changes must be submitted to the respective Committee Chairs no later than May 30, 1999.

Although there is no requirement to submit proposed changes in advance to any other Committee it would be helpful.

Contact IGRA for more information or a full list of IGRA Committee Chairs and contact information is available from GSGRA by e-mail or snail mail.

Makes Sense to Me....

A herd of buffalo can move only as fast as the slowest buffalo. When the herd is hunted, it is the slowest and weakest ones at the back that are killed first. This natural selection is good for the herd as a whole, because the general speed and health of the whole group keeps improving by the regular killing of the weakest members.

In much the same way, the human brain can only operate as fast as the slowest brain cells. Excessive intake of alcohol, we all know, kills brain cells, but naturally it attacks the slowest and weakest brain cells first. In this way, regular consumption of beer eliminates the weaker brain cells, making the brain a faster and more efficient machine. That's why you always feel smarter after a few beers.

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Philip W. Baldwin, DDS

It is with much sadness that we must report the passing of a good friend. Philip W. Baldwin, DDS, former President of the Greater San Diego Chapter, passed away on Sunday, March 21, 1999.

Phil was born and raised in Iowa and received his Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) degree from the University of Iowa. He was commissioned as a lieutenant in the US Naval Reserve serving aboard the USS Constellation for two years and was stationed for one year at the Treasure Island Naval Station in San Francisco.

After his discharge from the navy, Phil moved to San Diego and never left. He opened his own practice in Pacific Beach and eventually moved to the Clairemont/Bay Park where he remained until he retired in 1992.

Phil was a Member of the American Dental Association, the California Dental Association and the San Diego County Dental Society. He participated in the creation of the Greater San Diego Business Association (GSDBA) and was a charter board member of GSDBA and served on the board for five years.

Phil was an active member of the BJ's Cloggers dance performance group in the 1980s and a charter member of the San Diego Chapter of the Golden State Gay Rodeo Association. As a member of our association, he served in various positions including three years as chapter president. During his presidency, the chapter and its rodeo grew into be a very successful,

philanthropic, fundraising organization, able to raise and distribute up to \$20,000 annually to AIDS service organizations.

For GSGRA statewide he served as the administrative vice-president for one year and animal concerns committee chair for two years where he effectively advocated for abuse protection for rodeo animal participants. He was twice a delegate to the IGRA annual convention

Phil believed in service and gave of himself for the betterment of others, our association, our community, and so much more.

Memorial contributions may be made in Phil's name to the GSDBA Foundation Student Scholarship Fund (296-4543) and to the San Diego Human Dignity Foundation (685-7001).

A memorial service in the memory of Dr. Baldwin will be held on Saturday, April 17, 1999 at 12:30 PM at the Metropolitan Community Church. The service will be open to the public and followed by a reception.

At this sad time we ask that you keep Phil's partner in life, Ellis Rose, in your prayers and in your hearts. May our friendship bring him comfort and strength.



THE WEB REALLY DOES WORK!!

The past few days the e-mail network has been buzzing with horse owner/members expressing their concerns regarding the IGRA rules about health and coggins certificate. Mr. Pres. heard you and here is his reply.

Dear Members,
I have heard your concerns on this issue and would be more than happy to present your case to IGRA. As you all know, rule changes are made at the annual Convention and as your State President and Delegate to IGRA Convention I will make it my business to represent you on this issue.

I will need you input for the wording for the proposed rule changes and the pros/cons. Please forward you concerns, comments and suggestion by e-mail (ropinride@aol.com) or by mail to our Long Beach address.

Craig Rouse, GSGRA President

WANNA PLAY?

"Game Night" hosted by Java Jazz Espresso Bar at 2105 19th Street... at the corner of D and 19th. The current dates are April 16th and April 30, May 14th and May 28th all from 7-10pm. More Dates to be announced. A \$2.00 minimum donation will include 10% off drinks and an opportunity to meet

others in our community. Proceeds Benefit Kern Lifeline Project's FREE HIV and AIDS Education, Prevention Outreach and Case Management Services.

Most games, (except Bingo) are of an adult theme and you may also bring your favorite game of choice. Children are welcome, parental discretion is advised, and they should bring their own games. There will be a separate game area and child care can be provided.... Please call and let us know so arrangements can be made.

For additional information you may call the Lifeline at 661-324-3262 or email Sunnie@frazmtn.com

Hope to see you all. *Sunnie Rose*

From the EVP

"WANTED!! A FEW GOOD MEN AND WOMEN TO HELP PRODUCE A FUN EVENT "

As always its that time of year again. We are all in need of Volunteers to assist us in producing this years Rodeos. If you have an interest please contact your local Chapter, addresses and phone numbers are in the Chute.

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Greater San Diego Chapter - April 1999

VENDORS

ATTENTION ANYONE THAT WOULD LIKE TO BE A VENDOR AT THE 1999 SAN DIEGO RODEO

It is not too early to put in your application to reserve Vendor space at the Del Mar Fairgrounds and the Marriott Mission Valley hotel for the 1999 San Diego Rodeo.

If you are interested, contact Angie at (619) 298-4708 ext. 2258. Leave your name, telephone number and mailing address and she will get you the information you need.

Submitted by Angie Blumer

MEMBER DISCOUNTS

Don't forget, your GSGRA membership entitles you to the following discounts:

10% off at Hamburger Mary's, San Diego!

10% off at Boot Barn Stores!

10% off at Boot World! (with card available at SD Chapter office)

20% off at Fiddler's Green Restaurant!

If you know of any other discounts, please let the Member Discount Committee know about them.

Submitted by Jonathan Hewlett

There are still Chapter and Rodeo Committee Chairperson and Assistant Chairperson positions open. Contact the Executive Board if you interested.

DATES FOR APRIL 1999

Apr 6 7 PM Board Meeting
 Apr 7 7 PM General Membership Meeting
 Apr 9-11 Los Angeles Rodeo 15, Los Angeles, CA
 Apr 21 7 PM Rodeo Roundtable Meeting
 Apr 30 9 PM BOOTS and BRIEFS Contest at KICKER's

DATES FOR MAY 1999

May 4 7 PM Board Meeting
 May 5 7 PM General Membership Meeting
 May 19 7 PM Rodeo Roundtable Meeting
 May 22-23 Long Beach Pride

MEMBERSHIP....

Every month the Membership Committee processes hundreds of pieces of data. We add new members to the rolls, update records for renewals, track address and phone numbers changes etc., etc., etc.

When all that is done we start printing reports. We report to each Chapter, our State Officers, IGRA, our Trustee etc., etc., etc.

When all that is done we put together the newsletter and mail one to every GSGRA member and every IGRA Association. All this takes about two weeks and a half so no sooner are we finished with one month but it's time to get started on the next. (Or so it seems!)

Of all the stuff we create there is nothing more important than the report that fits neatly into the bottom half of this page. We all need to be aware of the trends in membership numbers. The first part of the report shows the movement in membership

Statistics last month and the second shows the monthly totals for the past year. We will publish this report as often as possible in the future. We hope you will find it interesting and inspirational.

The Center of the Known Universe is
WWW.GSGRA.ORG

And new members can learn all about us there and print out membership applications forms. Hint. Hint!!!

Never forget. GSGRA is not someone else's responsibility. It is your Association and your responsibility.

	Start 3/1/99	Expired 3/31/99	New	Renewals	Transfers	End 4/1/99
Greater L.A.	113	26		11		98
Bay Area	83	9	1	5		80
San Diego	92	11		11		92
Capital Crossroads	33		1	2		36
Non Affiliated	21	4		4		21
Total	342	50	2	33	0	327

	7/1/98	8/1/98	9/1/98	10/1/98	11/1/98	12/1/98
Greater L.A.	117	118	111	109	107	108
Bay Area	71	74	77	73	79	75
San Diego	111	108	101	104	109	103
Capital Crossroads	36	33	30	31	29	28
Non Affiliated	29	27	25	24	22	22
Total	364	360	344	341	346	336

	1/1/99	2/1/99	3/1/99	4/1/99	5/1/99	6/1/99
Greater L.A.	112	107	113	98		
Bay Area	74	69	83	80		
San Diego	105	99	92	92		
Capital Crossroads	31	29	33	36		
Non Affiliated	22	18	21	21		
Total	344	322	342	327	0	0



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GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

Rodeo 15's a Happenin' Thing!

Well, it's finally rodeo time in Los Angeles! Our rodeo has the reputation around the circuit as being a rodeo not to be missed, and once again this year, we'll live up to our reputation.

The rodeo committee has worked hard all year to put on a great rodeo, and of course, this year will be as great as ever.

Of course, by the time you read this, you'll most likely have already made your reservations, volunteered for your favorite behind-the-scenes job and/or registered as a participant in the events. The rodeo may even have already happened.

But just in case you're reading this

in the first week in April, and you haven't made your reservations, it's time to call the Hilton reservation number at 1-800-HILTONS to reserve your hotel room. Be sure and ask for the GSGRA rate. If you haven't volunteered, be sure you email Lenore at comedancn@aol.com or call a club officer for her phone number.

And of course, let your family and friends know! If you haven't spread the word about the great fun to be had at our rodeos, now's the time! Let 'em know about our web site at www.larodeo.com where they can find out all the pertinent information.

Chapter Elections Coming Soon!

Steve Leigeber who is serving as nominations chair for the chapter's annual elections, informs us he's still needing and welcoming nominees for the many chapter offices that help make our chapter one of the best. In particular, he's looking for nominees for the posts of President, Administrative Vice President, Vice President for Rodeo Operations, Secretary and Treasurer, but all the other posts are also open to nominations.

Many of our current officers are still undecided about running again, so this is a perfect opportunity to make your mark. You can help decide how your rodeo is to be run and what activities we should be

involved in as a chapter. You're welcome to nominate yourself or your buddy.

There's not much time, though. Steve will be accepting nominations for the above posts only until the chapter's April meeting on April 24. Be sure you're there to make sure your buddy or you are nominated to the chapter post of your choice.

To make a nomination, call Steve at 714 534-9221 or e-mail him at larodeo@larodeo.com.

Elections will be at the June meeting.

Submissions to the newsletter are welcome (subject to editing for space or content) by the 15th of each month. Email to newsletter@bidstrup.com or mail to Box 265, Perris, CA, 92572. All published materials, including the chapter logo, "LA Rodeo" logo and posters, newsletter, "LARODEO.COM" and website contents are Copyright © 1998 GSGRA-L.A., a California non-profit corporation. Any use without prior permission is a violation of copyright law.

Lots of fun in Las Vegas!

The Nevada Gay Rodeo Association had it's 4th annual Big Horn Rodeo over the weekend of March 4-6, and by all accounts, it was a big success.

As usual, your chapter was well represented. The GSGRA state delegation included as many L.A. chapter members as any other chapter, and many chapter members were a part of the rodeo, both in the arena and working behind the scenes as volunteers. Several were even seen in the Royalty Chorus, singing the Canadian National Anthem!

The weather was less than cooperative, with a stiff, chilly wind on Saturday and a cold breeze on Sunday, but that didn't deter our many champion cowboys from turning in winning performances. Congratulations to our many chapter members who brought home buckles and ribbons.

Of course a big part of any successful rodeo is the entertainment, and a new venue at the Alexis Park Resort contributed to the great time had by the many L.A. members who traveled to Glitter Gulch.

State and Chapter Board Meetings

State and L.A. Chapter board meetings will be held in Long Beach in May. As always,

you're welcome and encouraged to attend. Check with David Medzerian for details.

Your Chance To Ride In Long Beach Pride

If you'd like to ride your horse in a pride festival parade and show off your pride at being a part of gay rodeo, now's your chance. Your chapter has elected to be included in the Long Beach Pride parade on May 22. Call David Medzerian for details.

Unfortunately, L.A. Pride this year happens the same weekend as the Bay Area rodeo, so due to the conflict, the chapter has elected to not participate in the L.A. Pride parade this year. Hopefully next year we can be a part of L.A.'s great pride parade and festival.

Travel Discounts Added to Member Benefits

One of the great things about being a member of the Golden State Gay Rodeo Association is the fact that members are entitled to all kinds of discounts at various merchants around the state. Your GSGRA membership card is a card with clout - you can now get discounts on clothing, restaurant meals, car rentals and now even travel!

Canyon Travel Service in San Dimas is offering GSGRA members a 5% discount on tours, package deals and cruises. For airfares, car rentals and hotel rooms that are not a part of a package deal, Canyon Travel will donate 3% of the base fare to the member's chapter.

For certified officials working at a GSGRA rodeo, Canyon will donate 6% of their base fare on airline and car rentals to the hosting chapter if the chapter purchases the tickets or reimburses the officials for their travel.

This is a great way to help your chapter raise funds for the rodeo. Contact Canyon Travel Service at 645 East Bonita Ave., San Dimas, CA 91773. Phone: (909) 599-1291 Fax: (909) 599-1591. Call them Toll Free: (877) TAKE TRIP [825-3874] outside the San Dimas calling area.

CALENDAR

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April 24
10 AM **CHAPTER MEETING**
The Village, Los Angeles

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May 8 **EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**
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June 5
10 AM **ANNUAL MEETING OF**
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June 18-20 Bay Area Rodeo
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WHAT'S THE CHATTER?

The BigHorn Rodeo in Las Vegas was one to remember. There were several events of note: *Sammy VanGalder won his first buckle in Steer Riding*, with great performances in his other events, and 8 plus stitches to prove it! *Alex Waller* also showed her stuff, but unfortunately her souvenir was on her chin - a beauty of a black and blue spot! *Annie Kinney* also performed well, especially considering she had one eye on the stands to see if "mother-to-be" *Nena* was just holding her breath or holding it in! I understand that *Herb Smith* was there too, but who knows? Was it really working in the rodeo as assistant chute coordinator that kept him occupied or did something catch his eye as well, so as to keep him in at night? With that kind of activity, it will be hard to wait until LA to see what stories emerge!



The work on our rodeo continues to develop as we approach that magic date, August 20. Mike Silva continues to work on corporate sponsorship as we now are entering that phase of spending money. The contracts with the stock contractor, rodeo grounds, and hotel have all been signed and deposits made. Jeff Bosacki has developed great sources of volunteers, with commitments of assistance from the NAMES Project, Valley Bears, and Paul Crouch on behalf of the court system, CGNIE. to name a few. We will have information and request forms for entertainment coming out from Scott Singer, in the May issue of the Chute. In the mean time, if you have a particular interest please contact the committee chairs below:

- ☎ Arena Grounds
- ☎ Hotel
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Dates: August 20-22, 1999

Location: Hotel: Heritage Hotel and Convention Center
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Balance Sheet - Fiscal Year Ending
As of February 28, 1999

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	Feb 28, '99
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
WFB - David Watkins Fund	485.22
WFB - General Operating	1,358.82
WFB - Savings	2,900.03
WFB Rodeo Sanctlon	25,470.45
Total Checking/Savings	30,214.52
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	8,241.58
Total Accounts Receivable	8,241.58
Total Current Assets	38,456.10
Other Assets	
Equipment	2,307.28
Total Other Assets	2,307.28
TOTAL ASSETS	40,763.38
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	42,392.48
Retained Earnings	-2,610.00
Net Income	980.90
Total Equity	40,763.38
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	40,763.38

A farmer buys a brand new stud rooster for his chicken coop. The young rooster walks over to the old rooster "Ok, old fellow its time to retire."

The old rooster says, "You can't handle all these chickens look at what it did to me!"

The young rooster replies, "Now, don't give me a hassle about this. Time for the old to step aside and the young to take over, so take a hike."

The old rooster says, "Aw, c'mon...just let me have the two old hens over in the corner. I won't bother you."

The young rooster says "Scram! Beat it! You're washed up! I'm taking over."

So, the old rooster says to the young rooster, "I'll tell you what young fellow. I'll have a race with you around the farmhouse. Whoever wins gets domain of the chicken coop."

The young rooster says, "You know I'm going to beat you, old man, so just to be fair I'm going to give you a head start."

They line up in back of the farm house , get a chicken to cluck "GO" and the old rooster takes off running. About 15 seconds later the young rooster takes off after him. They round the front of the farm house and the young rooster is only 5 inches behind the old rooster and gaining fast. The farmer, sitting on the porch, looks up, sees what's going on, grabs his shotgun and BOOM! He blows the young rooster to bits.

He sadly shakes his head and says, "Dammit, third gay rooster I bought this week!"

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DEAD LINES Our deadline is absolute. We must receive your submission no later than the 20th of the month for consideration for the following months newsletter.

SEND YOUR SUBMISSIONS TO:

E-mail:
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Profit and Loss Fiscal Year Ending

February 1999

	Feb '99	Mar '98 - Feb '99
Income		
Dance Contest	0.00	300.00
David Watkins Memorial Fund	230.17	630.17
Interest Income	46.77	681.50
Membership Income	2,630.00	14,756.00
Merchandise Sale	0.00	12.00
State Convention	0.00	720.00
Total Income	2,906.94	17,099.67
Expense		
Buckle Sponsorships	250.00	650.00
Dance Contest Expenses	0.00	544.01
DWMF Contestant Expenses	888.50	888.50
General Administrative	923.45	4,017.30
IGRA Convention	0.00	2,670.00
Membership	250.00	4,417.46
Mr Ms Miss	0.00	372.50
Professional Fees	0.00	455.00
State Convention Expenses	0.00	1,294.00
Taxes	10.00	810.00
Uncategorized Expenses	0.00	0.00
Total Expense	2,321.95	16,118.77
Net Income	584.99	980.90

Revenue vs Expenses and Budget Comparison Fiscal Year Ending March 1998 through February 1999

	Mar '98 - Feb '99	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Income			
Dance Contest	300.00	975.00	-675.00
David Watkins Memorial Fund	630.17	1,200.00	-569.83
Interest Income	681.50	744.00	-62.50
Membership Income	14,756.00	15,120.00	-364.00
Merchandise Sale	12.00	1,200.00	-1,188.00
Reserve Funds	0.00	500.00	-500.00
State Convention	720.00	1,000.00	-280.00
Total Income	17,099.67	20,739.00	-3,639.33
Expense			
Buckle Sponsorships	650.00	600.00	50.00
Dance Contest Expenses	544.01	500.00	44.01
DWMF Contestant Expenses	888.50		
Education	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00
General Administrative	4,017.30	4,704.00	-686.70
IGRA Convention	2,670.00	2,500.00	170.00
Membership	4,417.46	5,100.00	-682.54
Merchandise	0.00	1,450.00	-1,450.00
Mr Ms Miss	372.50	500.00	-127.50
Professional Fees	455.00	385.00	70.00
State Convention Expenses	1,294.00	1,200.00	94.00
Taxes	810.00	1,800.00	-990.00
Uncategorized Expenses	0.00		
Total Expense	16,118.77	20,739.00	-4,620.23
Net Income	980.90	0.00	980.90

EASTER SUNDAY - April 4th

Join the chapter at Lin Daugherty's for a potluck, Easter-egg hunt, duck herding, riding instructions and who knows what else! As most of you know Lin is full of surprises, not to mention the latest in humorous stories! This will start at 1 PM, but a short service will be offered, for those interested, by our own Chapter Chaplain, Bill Hause. There will be a flier mailed, but call the hotline for details.

LA RODEO KICK-OFF PARTY - April 8th

Join us for a special fundraiser as Capital Crossroads kicks off the LA rodeo with its own version of fun! To be held at The Hyperion (Woody's), 2810 Hyperion Blvd, LA (Silverlake) at 9pm. The first 25 paid admissions will receive a free Sierra Stampede Rodeo Pin. YES - THE PINS ARE HERE! Cover is \$2 with drink specials and entertainment by Mr. GSGRA, Sammy VanGalder and the Kountry Knight Cloggers.

SPECIAL NOTE - April 18th

At chapter meeting, the chapter will be electing State Board of Directors representatives for GSGRA's 1999-2000 year. Those nominated are: Chuck Valdes, Billy Hughes, Lin Daugherty, Herb Smith, and Dean B. If you are interested in being nominated, or know of someone you wish to nominate, please call Marshall at 451-9439.

CALENDAR

April

- 4 -- Annual Chapter Easter Egg Hunt. See above for details.
- 7 -- Tri-fold folding party 7pm at Mike Silva's 454-3875
- 8 -- **Greater Los Angeles Rodeo Kick-off** party hosted by and for Capital Crossroads Sierra Stampede, 9:00 PM at Woody's Hyperion 323-660-1503 or chapter Hotline for details.
- 18 -- Rodeo and Chapter Meeting, location at Joseph's Town and Country at 1:30pm. Come at Noon and join us for brunch! 1454 Del Paso Blvd.
- 24 -- Rough Stock class -call Sammy at the Hotline for details.
- 24 -- CGNIE Coronation, chapter needs volunteers to carry flags.
- 24 --Chapter "Last Saturday of the Month", C&W dancing at Faces (20th and K St.), 7:30pm.

BAY AREA CHAPTER



Words From The BAC President...

Hello BAC Members:

It's that time of year again. We're gearing up for our 8th Annual Bay Area Chapter Rodeo. WOW! Many of you have been involved with the rodeos before. Some of you are new to the experience. It's always a ton of fun. We could use all the help we can get in many different areas. Tell us your expertise and we can find something for you to assist on. It takes a lot of work to produce the rodeo, but it's always worth the effort. Please join me and contact any of the Rodeo Team members below to volunteer.

- Rodeo Grounds: TerryLee email Texas 7t@aol.com
- Hotel Director: Doug Graff e-mail MRIGRA99@aol.com
- Buckles and Banners: Bill Gorman e-mail BillGBAC@aol.com or Bob Pulliam e-mail Pulliam 101@aol.com
- Advertisement/Program: TJ Dietschak e-mail tjd@appsig.com
- Event Director/Vendors: Craig Rouse e-mail Ropinride@aol.com

Our regular monthly chapter meeting and Rodeo Roundtable have been combined until after the Rodeo. I hope to see you at the meetings. Please Check out our Voicemail number (415 561-9228). Thanks to TJ he updates with all the latest information.

Thanks in advance for the time and energy you give our association. Remember we have the Eagle Beer Bust April 11th. Contact Brian, e-mail Briman1160@aol.com, or Mike, MikeGSGRA@aol.com to VOLUNTEER.

Bill Gorman
BAC President



Bingo News

Bingo Committee: Brian Syth – Co Chair – email at Briman1160@aol.com
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Please get in touch with these hard working folks and join them for some fun times at the bingo games. It's always a great time, and volunteers are always needed, and appreciated.

Fun Things About to Happen

April 7th – Community Bingo at the San Jose Hyatt. Doors open at 7:00 PM.

April 9-11. The world famous LA Rodeo and Dance Competitions. Cheer our chapter members on at the rodeo events AND the dance competition.

April 11th – The HUGE always fun, annual BBQ & Beer Bust at the incomparable SF Eagle Tavern. All the fun starts at 2:00 PM. Who knows when it ends?

April 18th – New Member Meet & Greet. Everyone meet at Bill Gorman's house to welcome the new chapter members. The BBQ begins at 12:00, and don't forget your swimsuit! Call the hotline for the latest details and directions.

April 25th – By popular demand, the Annual Bowl-A-Thon at Saratoga Bowl in San Jose. Check the hotline for details.

Coming soon – The Two-Stepping into Spring Dance Party

BINGO!

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

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

Chapter Meetings

THURSDAY April 15th - Chapter Meeting & Rodeo Roundtable
 San Jose Hyatt at 7:00 PM

Everyone is welcome, and needed!

THURSDAY April 29th – Rodeo Roundtable – Location to be announced – check hotline.

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April 9-11 1999

(562)498-1675 for details