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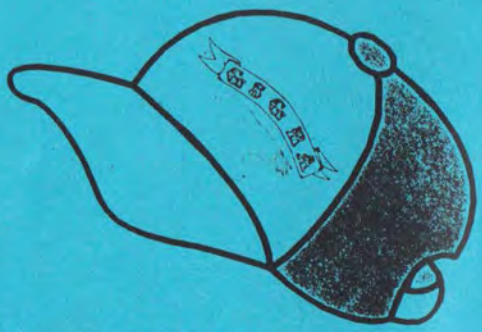
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**GUNS, HOSES AND  
JUST A FEW SPURS**

Everyone knows San Diego in September is the right place for cowboys and cowgirls. Did you know that San

Diego, this September, is the right place for law enforcement officers and firefighters? That's right. The Golden State Peace Officers Association is hosting an International Law/Firefighters convention to coincide with our very own gay rodeo.

On behalf of the Golden State Gay Rodeo Association, it is with great pleasure to welcome the men and women of the GSPOA to our beautiful city.

Gay law enforcement officers and firefighters from around the world will join cowboys and cowgirls at the Mission Valley Marriott (call 1.800.842.5329 and ask for the GSGRA rate). The Marriott will be used as the GSPOA back-up hotel, so book your room as soon as possible and just maybe you will find a cop when you need one.

Don't forget Boots and Briefs on Thursday night prior to rodeo weekend and this year you could very well see a cop or firefighter on that famous stage.

Submitted by JJ Jennings

**LOS ANGELES RODEO**

Congratulations to all the Greater San Diego Rodeo Association chapter

members that competed in the 15th annual Los Angeles Rodeo held at Hansen Dam, April 10th & 11th. The Los Angeles Rodeo Chapter did a excellent job and our hats go off to Traci Keiper and her staff for all their hard work. We wish the weather would have been more cooperative with them in Sunday.

A BIG CONGRATULATIONS goes to David Renier for winning the Men's All-Around, Men's Barrel Racing and Men's Break-away Roping Buckles. Kirk Carter for placing 3rd runner up, Randy Funderburk for placing 4th runner-up in the Men's All-Around and to Bonnie Boone for placing 2nd runner-up in the Women's All-Around.

Submitted by Kirk Carter

Editor's Note: This article was submitted for the May Newsletter. Unfortunately, I didn't find it until after the Newsletter input had already been mailed to the State Newsletter. I apology for the lateness of this article.

Dan Bradford, Newsletter Coordinator.

**Greater San Diego Chapter - June 1999**

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## Greater San Diego Chapter - June 1999

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**Friday, June 25, 1999**

**9:00 to 11:00 P.M.**

**at The Hole**

**2820 Lytton Street, San Diego, Ca.**

**\*Money raised by the auctioning of your underwear benefits the San Diego Rodeo Association  
Donated items can be auctioned along with your underwear.**

## Greater San Diego Chapter - June 1999

### **SAN DIEGO PRIDE**

The Greater San Diego Chapter of GSGRA will once again be coordinating the Country Village at the San Diego Pride. Like always, we will need lots of bodies to make this a grand San Diego event. Come to the July General Membership meeting to find out where you can help out. Or contact one of the Executive Board members to find out what's needed.

Some of the things we need people for are;

- help setting up and decorating the Country Village and Country Dance tent.
- people to carry the 50+ State and other flags in the Pride Parade on Saturday
- and of course help taking everything apart again after it's all over.

If you haven't been involved with Pride before, it really is a fun and exciting experience, so come on down and have some fun.

We also need horses & riders for the Pride Parade. Any one interested should contact Kirk Carter for information.

Submitted by Dan Bradford

### **IGRA NATIONAL CONVENTION**

In case you haven't heard yet, the Golden State Gay Rodeo Association is the host of this year's IGRA Convention which is scheduled for July 29 through August 1, 1999 in Long Beach. This is the closest the convention has been in a while, so if you're interested in seeing the process of how all the things they do get done, this is a good opportunity to do so.

The Greater San Diego Chapter is looking for volunteers to operate the "Office Services" area at the Convention. We need people that have office administrative, typing and word processing skills. If you can type on a computer, we need your help. Contact Dan Bradford at (619) 298-4708 voice mailbox 3272 for details or to volunteer.

Submitted by Dan Bradford

### **CALENDAR**

Dates for June 1999			Dates for July 1999		
Jun 1	7 PM	Board Meeting	Jul 6	7 PM	Board Meeting
Jun 2	7 PM	General Membership Mtg.	Jul 7	7 PM	General Membership Mtg.
June 3	6:30 PM	Envelope Stuffing Party	Jul 17 & 18		State Board Mtg. in Bay Area
Jun 11	8 PM	Kick-Off Party @ KICKER's	Jul 21	7 PM	Rodeo Roundtable Mtg.
Jun 16	7 PM	Rodeo Roundtable Mtg.	Jul 24 & 25		San Diego Pride
Jun 18-20		Bay Area Rodeo @ San Jose	Jul 29-Aug 1		IGRA Convention in Long Beach hosted by GSGRA
Jun 25	9 PM	Boots & Briefs II @The Hole			

## Greater San Diego Chapter - June 1999

**KICKER's and The San Diego Chapter of GSGRA**

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**A GSGRA FUNDRAISER**

### Rodeo Kick-Off Party

For the  
Bay Area Rodeo  
at San Jose

**Friday, June 11, 1999**

**8:00 to 11:00 P.M.**

**at KICKER's**

**308 University Avenue,  
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#### SPECIAL ELECTION

Due to personal reasons Michael "Trigger" Brower has resigned as Chapter Secretary. Therefore, we will have a Special Election to fill this position at the July General Membership meeting. Nominations are being accepted by any Executive Board member and will be accepted for the floor at the meeting.

Submitted by Dan Bradford

#### TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

The Vice President of Rodeo Operations and this year's Rodeo Director are looking for a few interested people that would like to learn all the ins-and-outs of putting a great rodeo. If you are interested, contact JJ Jennings or Nancy Novak for details.

There are still a few other Committee Chairs and Assistant position open. See any Executive Board member for info.

Submitted by Dan Bradford

### Our Newest Member!!

Nena and Annie Kinney became proud parents on April 28<sup>th</sup> 1999 with the arrival of Aspen Rose Kinney, 7lbs 14oz., 19.5".

Welcome, little one, and lots of love from all your Rodeo Aunties and Uncles.

### Time Is Running Out!

It's the summer of Y2 Chaos! So what to do? Simple. Make plans now to attend the annual Summer Party where you can forget all about those dire predictions of the total collapse of civilization as we know it.

When: Sat July 17 1999

Place: 2236 15<sup>th</sup> St, San Francisco

Time: 7:30 PM till you forget about Y2K.

How do I schedule my appointment and ensure that I'm saved from this horror? Respond by email or call one of the following numbers no later than June 30: (415) 252-7004 or (415) 377-4401 Hurry. Don't be left behind! Space is limited!

### Country Western Benefit Dance Set for Saturday July 3 1999

Break out your boots and hang on to your Stetsons! It's time for the Country-Western dance benefit of the year. On Saturday, July 3rd, the Texas-sized California Ballroom at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel will be filled with hundreds of Levis and Wranglers swaying to the sounds of Garth, Reba and Dolly.

"Cowboys & Other Animals" is being hosted by the International Association of Gay Square Dance Clubs, which is holding its 16th annual convention at the Bonaventure. "With over 1,100 men and women coming to Los Angeles from all over the world, we wanted to create a special event that everyone in the community will be able to attend," says convention chairman Paul Waters. "We're going to turn a downtown landmark into the city's biggest gay dance bar!"



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Sacramento's Coronation. Congratulations to Emperor Ocar and Empress Alta! It was also great to see former

Miss GSGRA, Sheba clintred during the evening. You're always so beautiful!

Ganging up on the Sacramento community, Sammy, Lenora and Jerry were all present for Capital Crossroads BBQ & Hoe-down. Great food, great entertainment, and great fun! Thank you all for being there!

Coming up, please join the GSGRA royalty at the Turf Club in Hayward Sunday, June 6, 1999 for a BBQ/Beer Bust/Show! BBQ will begin at 2pm. This will be a fundraiser for the David Watkins Memorial Fund. We are looking forward to this fundraiser, so bring your appetite, bring your thirst, and lets have a great time! Raising money can be so fun!

Speaking of fundraising, the royalty will host a fundraiser at the Rainbow Room in Hayward on July 18, 1999. The fun will be from 3pm - 6pm. Come out and support the efforts of the team as they raise money for both GSGRA AND Breast Cancer.

Don't miss the Bay Area Rodeo June 18-20, 1999. It's Lenora & Jerry's home turf, so if you haven't done so, yet, get to know the real people behind the sashes!

Until next month, keep smiling...and everyone will wonder what you're up to - **Sammy!**

Sometime The Press Gets it Right. As gay men and lesbian women we are all used to being misrepresented in and by The Press. Well not always. After publishing a piece on Thursday May 20 dealing with Rodeo and Bull Riding with some, shall we say, insensitive references to homosexuality, the Long Beach Press Telegram received several irate calls from local Gay Rodeo fans. We must acknowledge the writer, Tim Grobaty, for having the gumption to take a little advice from a caller and pay a visit to the G.L.A.C. web site. This done we must say thank you to Mr. Grobaty for five column inches of accurate information about the upcoming IGRA Convention including the web site and phone number for anyone interested in joined G.S.G.R.A., and all this on the Friday of Gay-Pride Week in Long Beach. It is refreshing to be treated fairly for a change and the timin was perfect.

## How Smart Are You?



There are six F's in the sentence. One o average intelligence finds three of them. If you spotted four, you're above average. If you got five, you can turn u

your nose at most anybody. If you caught six, you are a genius.

There is no catch. Most people forget tl OF's. The human brain tends to see ther as "Vs" instead of "Fs." Well, HOW SMART WERE YOU ????

Bonaventure will NOT be offering a discount parking rate.

For more information, call 818-508-6982. Directions are available online at [iagsdc.org/LAin99/directions](http://iagsdc.org/LAin99/directions)

## How Smart Are You?

Read this sentence:

*FINISHED FILES ARE THE RESULT OF YEARS OF SCIENTIFIC STUDY COMBINED WITH THE EXPERIENCE OF YEARS.*

Now count aloud the F's in that sentence. Count them ONLY ONCE. Do not go back and count them again. . Result at the bottom of the next page.

## ROYAL CORNER

Have you seen your royalty? What are they up to? The real question is can you keep up with the royalty?

Lenora, Sammy, and Jerry have been seen providing their royal talents at a multitude of functions. Sammy represented GSGRA at

Proceeds from the \$10 admission go to PAWS/LA, which helps people living with AIDS provide for the care, feeding and veterinary needs of their pets. "Animals are so important to people, particularly to those whose lives are in such turmoil as a consequence of their devastating illness," says Nadia Sutton, executive director for PAWS/LA. "I'm touched that we were chosen as the beneficiary for this wonderful evening."

For those who need a break from two-stepping, waltzing and line-dancing, the hotel's six-story atrium lobby will be transformed into the ultimate piano bar, featuring the keyboard stylings of Doug Amster, direct from the Polo Lounge of the Beverly Hills Hotel. "I'm delighted that Doug will be there He has to be one of the most talented piano players I've ever heard," says Waters.

Parking is available for only \$6 at the ARCO Plaza garage at 400 South Flower Street, located across the street from the hotel. The

# 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.

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### The Golden State Gay Rodeo Association Monthly Membership Statistics

	Start 5/1/99	Expired 5/31/99	New	Renewals	Transfers	End 6/1/99
Greater L.A.	103	8	2	11		108
Bay Area	75	12	2	4		69
San Diego	89	6		5		88
Capital Crossroads	35	5	5	6		41
Non Affiliated	23		1			24
<b>Total</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>330</b>

	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
<b>Total</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>336</b>
	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	103	4/17/00
Bay Area	74	69	83	80	75	69
San Diego	105	99	92	92	89	88
Capital Crossroads	31	29	33	36	35	41
Non Affiliated	22	18	21	21	23	24
<b>Total</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>330</b>



# L.A. News



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**GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER**

## L.A. Chapter Hosts State Convention

On Saturday, May 8, your chapter hosted the state GSGRA convention at The Center in Long Beach. The chapter board meeting and the state convention were held concurrently, enabling your chapter board to effectively get several items of business out of the way while proposing several rules changes designed to help the state organization run more smoothly and effectively on behalf of members statewide. See elsewhere in this issue for details of the rules changes.

The state convention was a big success, running more smoothly than any convention in recent memory, rapidly getting the required business out of the way, and enabling the convention to adjourn at the end of the day on Saturday.

Of interest to chapter members is the dates approved for application to IGRA for chapter rodeos in 2000 (April 14-16), 2001 (April 27-29) and 2002 (April 26-28). The bid to move the rodeos back a week in 2001 and 2002 was done with the intent of reducing the chances of rain occurring during our rodeo weekend.

At the conclusion of the convention, many of the attendees attended a memorial service for Eloy Galindo, our beloved member who had passed away recently. The service was packed with GSGRA members, friends of Eloy and Roger, and many members of Eloy's and Roger's families. The size of the turnout was ample testimony to the esteem with which Eloy was held as a member of our chapter and a rodeo official.

## Volunteers Sought for IGRA Convention

This year the IGRA convention will be held in Long Beach on July 29-Aug. 1. The convention is being hosted by the entire statewide GSGRA organization, but the Greater Los Angeles Chapter is especially proud to welcome everyone to our beautiful corner of the state.

As always, the success of the convention will be a result of the hard work of large numbers of volunteers. Your chapter leadership has always been grateful for the fine quality of volunteers we've had at our rodeos and chapter activities. It's made all

the difference in the quality of the rodeos we've presented.

Now it's time to show that we can put on a national convention of the same quality. David Medzerian, your chapter president, is helping to coordinate much of the volunteer effort for the IGRA convention. Please call him at 562-436-1810 or email him at [davidm@link.freedom.com](mailto:davidm@link.freedom.com).

We really need you! Your efforts will make all the difference in the success of this year's convention.

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## Lookin' Good in Long Beach!

Thanks to everyone who helped carry the flags in the Long Beach Pride parade; as usual, the group looked spectacular and made a terrific impression on the thousands of people who lined the streets.

And a special thank-you to the Long Beach pride organization, for again waiving our parade-entry fee! (And a note: Because of the busy summer rodeo schedule, the chapter won't be doing an entry in this year's Los Angeles parade.)

## Elections set for 1999-2000 officers

Chapter elections for the next year have been set for this month's chapter meeting, which will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 5, at The Center in Long Beach. The Nominations Committee, reports the following nominations (all are current officers, and all have accepted nomination):

- President: David Medzerian.
- Administrative Vice President: Amy Griffin.
- Rodeo Vice President: Steve Creber.
- Secretary: Lenore Mankoff.

■ Treasurer: Thom Brennan.

The post of State Alternate Delegate also needs to be filled because of Mike DeYonker's election as state VP of rodeo operations.

The chapter bylaws allow nominations from the floor during the election meeting. Those nominated from the floor must be present to accept, or have indicated in writing their willingness to accept. All nominees must be a chapter member in good standing for a minimum of one year.

## State Board Meeting Dates Announced

The State Board has approved dates for the meeting of the state board for the next year. They are July 17th and 18th to be hosted by the Bay Area Chapter (location to be announced) and November 20th and 21st, to be hosted by the Capital Crossroads chapter. The royalty contest will be held in conjunction with the November meeting.

The February meeting will be on the 5th, and will be hosted by your chapter. It will be held at The Village in Los Angeles.

Your chapter will also host the GSGRA state convention on May 6 & 7, 2000. The state dance competition will be held in conjunction with the state convention next year.

## Challenges and Opportunities!

It's no secret that GSGRA membership and IGRA membership has been declining for some time. That's been the subject of articles in this space.

All of us know friends who participate in the rodeos, or who enjoy cowboy stuff, and would make great members if they were just invited to participate. Well, here's your challenge from David Medzerian, your chapter president:

"I know that every one of you has at least one friend who comes to rodeos and rodeo stuff and keeps thinking of joining but never

actually gets around to it; you probably know several people like this. Here's the challenge: I want every one of you to bring in at least one new member to the chapter... I know we can do this!"

By bringing in prospective members to participate in chapter activities as well as rodeos, we can increase our membership base which will make more and better activities possible -- gymkhanas, play days, trail rides, beach bonfires, and other activities are lots more fun when there's a big turnout. It's up to you! Bring a friend!

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# CALENDAR

## JUNE

- June 5  
10 AM  
**ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS and CHAPTER ELECTIONS**  
The Center  
2017 E. 4th St.  
Long Beach
- June 13  
L.A. PRIDE
- June 18-20  
BAY AREA RODEO  
San Jose, CA
- June 25-27  
HEARTLAND RODEO  
Omaha, NE

## JULY

- July 17  
10 AM  
**BOARD MEETING**  
The Village  
1125 N. McCadden Pl.  
Los Angeles

## AUGUST

- August 13-15  
ZIA REGIONAL RODEO  
Albuquerque, NM
- August 14  
10 AM  
**CHAPTER MEETING**  
The Village  
1125 N. McCadden Pl.  
Los Angeles
- August 20-22  
SIERRA STAMPEDE  
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- August 27-29  
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# COWBOYS & OTHER ANIMALS

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**SATURDAY, JULY 3, 1999**  
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GSGRA-Capital Crossroads  
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Sacramento, CA 95818  
916-978-4040 hotline  
603-806-3074  
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## What's the Chatter?

Congratulations to the Greater Los Angeles Chapter for another great rodeo. Rain or shine, Sacramento made a showing in contestants and spectators. New contestants from Sacramento included Dean Berkan, and Matt Romero. Good luck guys on future rodeos. Sammy Van Galder took home his first Bull Riding Buckle from the LA Rodeo – congratulations!

### Something Old:

The chapter hosted it's Country Barbecue and Hoedown on May 15, 1999. Special thanks go out to Bruce & George of the **Double B Ranch** for the use of their property. You couldn't ask for a more beautiful setting. Also to Craig Rouse for helping the cooks (Billy & Chuck) with the barbecue. Your presence and assistance was appreciated. Overall, there were over 200 people that enjoyed the Ranch, the food, the entertainment, and the fun. Thanks to all members that came out and supported the event. And, isn't it nice to get a discount at our functions?

Sammy lined up great entertainment for the Hoedown, and the special touch of the bartending talents of Large Marge from Faces. Now, that was entertainment.

### Something New:

The Capital Crossroads Chapter would like to congratulate members Annie Kinney and Nena Bradeen-Kinney on the birth of their daughter Aspen Rose Kinney on April 28, 1999. How long before we can buy her little cowgirl boots?



The stampede is on. Planning stages are in full swing as August 20<sup>th</sup> draws near. Now is the time to get involved. If you have a talent or an interest, please contact a chairperson below. Your thoughts and ideas are welcome and encouraged. Your bodies are more useful when we start staffing volunteer positions. **VOLUNTEERS** are needed for everything. Volunteer forms are available on the chapter's website.

Arena Grounds	Sammy Van Galder	916-737-7610
Hotel	Mark Marshall	916-451-9439
Corporate Sponsorship	Matt Bowers	209-529-9000
Security	Mark Marshall	916-451-9439
Entertainment	Scott Singer	818-772-0561
Vendors	Sammy Van Galder	916-737-7610
Volunteers	Jeff Bosacki	916-978-4040
Finance	Bill Hause	916-649-3826

Mark your calendars for August 20 – 22, 1999.

Host Hotel: Heritage Inn Hotel & Convention Center  
800-972-EXPO or 916-929-7900

Rodeo Grounds: Central Park Horse Arena  
Rio Linda, CA  
(15 minutes northwest of the host hotel)

## Reminders

Nominations for offices are open and being accepted. Annual elections will be in July. If you would like to run for an office, please don't wait until the day of elections. Speak up now and get involved. The success of the chapter is in the hands of its members.

Next rodeo committee meetings are June 2<sup>nd</sup> and June 15<sup>th</sup> – Marshall's  
Next chapter meeting is June 13<sup>th</sup> at Marshall's (916-451-9439)  
Sacramento Pride Festival (Volunteers needed) June 12<sup>th</sup>  
GSGRA-Bay Area Rodeo June 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>  
CALL THE HOTLINE FOR MORE UPCOMING EVENTS: 916-978-4040

# BAY AREA CHAPTER



## Words From The BAC President...

Hello BAC Members:

Remember, now is the time we need your help most with the UPCOMING RODEO, and all the fund raising activities currently in process. I know that I can count on each of you to help us produce THE best rodeo, and show our guests a great time. Also remember we have rodeo roundtable every week. If you need information please call the rodeo hot line on 415-561-9228, TJ keeps it full of information.

Does anyone know of a printer? We need to find a sponsorship from a printing shop. If you think its too late, it's not, we always need sponsors for NEXT year and our Millenium Rodeo. We are always looking for sponsors that we can add to the Chute and also to the many flyers we send out for our parties and events. Please keep your thinking caps on.

Well, I'd like to take this opportunity to CONGRADULATE our NEW STATE Officers. I am sure they will do a great job and I know that all of them are very committed to Rodeo and our organizations.

State President	Craig Rouse (yes our own)
EV President	Sammy VanGalder
Rodeo Operations	Micheal DeYonker
Secretary	Clint Johnson (yes another of our own)
Treasurer	Bill Chapman



This is the group that will lead us into the next century!

Bill Gorman  
BAC President

## BAC Contacts

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## Bingo News

Bingo Committee: Brian Syth – Co Chair – email at [Briman1160@aol.com](mailto: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 weekly bingo games, every Wednesday night at the San Jose Hyatt. It's always a great time, and volunteers are always, needed, and appreciated.

## Back Shed



Well, you know what that symbol at the left means.....dirt. Yep, the backshed is full of talk this month. Let's see. Now, from what's being said, a certain high ranking BAC official went "camping" at the State Board Meeting. Vanessa, from Club Cochina helped find the campsite, a particularly comfortable old leather sofa, just down the street from where everyone was enjoying themselves. And you thought no one noticed you sneaking out the door? Other Club Cochina gang members (now is this really a gang, or a flock?) haven't been idle either. In fact, one of them's been so busy there doesn't seem to be time for the club, what with a new husband and all, or so they say. Anyway, the club's looking for new recruits, and Macy, Inez and Lucy better show up soon or else.... By the way, Club Cochina does a big SALUTE to Mr. GSGRA99, sponsored by CC and recent winner of a Steer & Bull Riding buckles.

## Fun Things Coming Your Way

June 5 & 6 – Russian River Camping Trip and Fund Raiser – Call Clint or Check the hotline

June 6 – State Royalty Fund Raiser at the world famous Turf Club in Hayward – BE THERE!

June 5 and June 12 – Work party – start at Craig's and go to fairgrounds.

June 11 – Appreciation Dinner

June 12 and 13 – San Jose Pride!

June 18, 19, and 20 – RODEO TIME!!! What can be said? A weekend of fun in the sun in San Jose. We've got EXTRA PRIZE MONEY. We've got pool parties. For the kids, there's a petting zoo, wading pool, and a few other surprises. Don't miss this blow out weekend. Hotel rooms are going fast, so call now.

June 26 and 27 – San Francisco Pride

July 2, 3 and 4 – Calgary Rodeo

July 4 – Meet and Greet July 4<sup>th</sup> from 4-8p.m. Billies Swim Palace

## Chapter Meetings

THURSDAY June 10th – Chapter Meeting & Rodeo Roundtable  
Meetings are at the San Jose Hyatt at 7:00 PM  
Everyone is welcome, and needed!

The Golden State  
**Gay Rodeo Association**  
Bay Area Chapter

# RODEO 99

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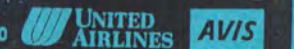
# RODEO



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Volunteers are needed for all areas of the Rodeo. Contact any of the BAC Officers to sign up. It's a lot of fun, don't miss the excitement!

