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Did you know that you don't need to compete to go to a Buck-Out?

It's fun and It's free, so join us.

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Check out the L.A. section for details

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Howdy!

The holiday season is a good month behind us, planning for Rodeo 2000 is picking up now, and I am happy to see that more people are participating in our chapter activities so early in the year. Although most of the positions are filled (amazing this early in the year), there are still some left. In addition, some of our chairs and coordinators are looking for assistants. If you want to get involved, come on by - we could definitely use the help and input!

The first chapter meeting with potluck was a success, and we've decided to continue that tradition... so bring an appetite next meeting! At that meeting, the 2000 operating budget was approved by the general membership. As we plan our individual budgets for each office, I can't emphasize enough the importance of frugality. As you saw, we are running a very tight operation this year, and we need everyone to be thinking with the same mind: the more money we conserve or raise, the more we insure the long-term viability of our chapter, and the more we can contribute to our community.

Looking at the short-term, several important things are awaiting us in the next month. On February 4th we will present the 1999 rodeo beneficiaries with their checks, in conjunction with a fundraiser for the Center at Kickers. Also in the coming month is State Board Representative elections, our Rodeo 2000 budget proposal to the State Board, and of course our bus trip to the Rawhide. It's going to be a fun and busy month!

Stay dry and healthy, Robert Kojima

We would love to hear from you. If you would like to contact us, or get information on our organization, please do so at:

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RIDE INTO THE MILLENIUM

Did you know?

Our second San Diego Gay and Lesbian Rodeo was held on Sept. 7-9, 1989 at Charro Del Serro in San Miguel.

The 1990 board members were:

President: Ralph Martinez

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Treasurer: Larry Rose Secretary: Bill Chapman

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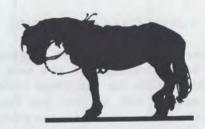
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Grand Marshals: Kara Kobey **Gary Cheatam**

RODEO NOTES

The Road Runner Regional Rodeo was held January 15th and 16th, 2000 in Phoenix, AZ. The event was one of the largest rodeos in years having 222 contestants compete. The weekend had perfect weather drawing the third highest attendance for their rodeo. The following contestants from the Greater San Diego Rodeo Chapter competed in Saturday's rodeo that lasted 16 hours and Sunday's rodeo that lasted 14 hours. Bonnie Boone, Ted Caldwell, Ron Call, Kirk Carter, Michele Chagnon, Charlie Cole, Randy Funderburk, Jason Hott, Jason Martin, David Pickle, David Renier, Larry Rose, and Ed Wallum. Congratulations to first time steer rider Ed Wallum who covered his steers both Saturday & Sunday. Congratulations to Bonnie Boone, Randy Funderburk, & their rodeo partner for winning the wild drag buckles. A BIG congratulations to Bonnie Boone for winning the women's pole bending buckle, and the women's All-Around title receiving the Greg Olson Memorial Saddle.



Remember San Diego Rodeo 2000 will be held on September 21-24, 2000

UPCOMING EVENTS

FUNDRAISER

Join us at Kicker's on Friday, February 4th for a fundraiser to benefit The Center. Also, checks will be presented to Special Delivery and GSDBA. Each of these organizations will receive a check in the amount of \$5000. This money was raised during the 1999 San Diego Rodeo.

RAWHIDE ROAD TRIP

Tired of the same old faces in the same old bar, join us for a trip to our northern sister bar, the Rawhide. On February 27, a busload of San Diego's finest will be heading up to celebrate (okay, so it's just another excuse to drink and dance the day away). Cost: \$25/per person. Bus leaves at 3:30 from the Rodeo Office and will return at 10:30 pm. For additional information, contact Rick Hensley (619) 299-5070.

SAN DIEGO LEATHER PRIDE

Saturday, 26 February 2000, is planned to be the crowning point of a week of celebration for our San Diego Leather Community with the Mr. San Diego Leather Contest scheduled to take place at the Hole in Point Loma. This year's event list promises to be bigger and better than (con't next column)

than last year with a planning committee ready to finalize all details over this coming month.

San Diego Leather Pride is seeking contestants for the Mr. San Diego Leather 2000 Contest at the Hole on Saturday, 26 February 2000. This contest is open to any male from our San Diego GLBT—Leather/Fetish/Kink/SM Community. For additional information and /or questions—please call (619)702-3321 or (619)284-7444 or e-mail at jon-mik1@home.com.

VEGAS RODEO

Just a reminder, the Las Vegas Rodeo is coming up on March 4th and 5th.

Good luck to all the San Diego contestants.

MEMBER DISCOUNTS

The following establishments offer discounts to all GSGRA-San Diego members:

Ace Hardware (Hillcrest)	10%
Hamburger Marys	10%
Boot Barn	10%
Boot World	10%
Fiddler's Green	20%
Marc's Bar and Grill	10%
Wild Bill's	10%

Rodeo roundtable will be held on the **third Tuesday** of the month beginning on Jan. 18.

February 2000

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	General Meeting and Potluck 7pm	3	Fundraiser for TheCenter at Kicker's 7pm	5 State Board Meeting In Long Beach
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 Rodeo Round Table 7pm	16	17	18	19
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1999-2000 Rodeo Schedule

Texas Gay Rodeo: Austin, TX Nov 12-14, 1999

Road Runner Rodeo: Phoenix, AZ Jan 14-16, 2000

Bighorn Rodeo: Las Vegas, NV Mar 3-5, 2000

LA Rodeo 2000: Los Angeles, CA Apr 14-16, 2000

Great Plains Rodeo: Oklahoma City, OK May 26-28, 2000

Salt Lake City Rodeo: Salt Lake City, UT June 2-4, 2000

Bay Area Rodeo: San Jose, CA June 16-18, 2000

Heartland Rodeo: Omaha, NE June 23-25, 2000

Canadian Rockies Int'l Rodeo: Calgary June 30 - July 2, 2000

Rocky Mountain Rodeo: Denver, CO July 7-9, 2000

Southern Spurs Rodeo: Atlanta, GA July 21-23, 2000

16th Annual IGRA Convention and C/W Dance Championships

Las Vegas, NV Aug 2-6, 2000

Sierra Stampede: Sacramento, CA Aug 18-20, 2000

Windy City Rodeo 2000: Chicago, IL Aug 25-27, 2000

Show-Me State Rodeo: Kansas City, KS Sept 1-3, 2000

Atlantic Stampede 2000: Washington, DC Sept 8-10, 2000

San Diego Rodeo: San Diego, CA Sept 22-24, 2000

Finals Rodeo: Albuquerque, NM Oct 19-22, 2000

All Information is believed to be accurate, however, we urge you to contact the local producing Association or I.G.R.A. to confirm all dates, times and locations before making any commitments. Our data source is IGRA as of 1/21/2000.



The Golden State Gay Rodeo Association presents

The 10th Annual Country Western Dance Competition

At 8:00pm on May 6, 2000

at

Kickers in San Diego

There will be four divisions of competition: Division IV (1st Time), Division III (Amateur), Division II (Intermediate) and Division I (Advanced). All contestants will dance a two-step, waltz and freestyle. The first place overall couple in each division will be eligible to represent G.S.G.R.A. at the I.G.R.A. Dance Finals in Las Vegas, NV on August 5, 2000.

For further information, please contact Ken Valdez at 619 299-7813.

CHECK OUT THE CHANGES

GSGRA Y2K Royalty -

Another month and we have so much more to do. But first, we would like to thank everyone for all their support.

All three royalty members were present in Phoenix for the RoadRunner Regional Rodeo. Congratulations to AGRA on a successful rodeo. We sure had a lot of fun. GSGRA had a great showing of members. We were very proud to lead the numerous contestants and members through the Grand Entry. Next time, Miss K will know to wear boots to walk in the soft arena dirt. Thanks to Matt and Alex for making sure she didn't lose a pump.

Look for the royalty team to be at the 1220 Club in Walnut Creek January 29, 2000 supporting the Bay Area's Country Western Night.

The royalty team will also be present at the Capital Crossroads' Hanky-Panky Casino Night at the Mercantile Saloon in Sacramento on February 19, 2000. Come play blackjack with us. Happy hour drink prices if you wear a hanky. Come see what the panky is.

The following day -- Sunday, February 20, 2000, join us in Stockton at the Club Paradise for our first fundraising event. \$3 buffet beginning at 2pm and raffles, and we plan to have an all-live show beginning around 6pm. The Club Paradise is anxious to host us again and we would like to see you all out in Stockton.

Have we forgotten Southern California? Heck No! Hey SoCal, give us a call so we can make plans to come down and "play" with you, too!

THE GOLDEN STATE GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION

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GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

GSGRA and The L.A. Rodeo to Host Buckout on Feb. 6

Come spend a day in the country with your GSGRA friends! GSGRA and The L.A. Rodeo are co-sponsoring a Buckout on Sunday, Feb. 6th, at 10:00 a.m. This event will take place at Ortiz Ranch in Acton (45 min. north of Burbank). Events held will be Steer Riding, Chute Dogging and Calf Roping on Foot. Seasoned rodeo veterans will be on hand to give instruction and pointers in each event, and safety precautions will be discussed. Practice your regular events or try something new! There is no charge to participate in the rodeo events. Lunch will be available for a small fee with proceeds benefiting the L.A. Rodeo. (State Board members: The Buckout is the morning after the State Board meeting in Long Beach. Plan to stay for it!)

Directions to Ortiz Ranch

From Los Angeles, take the I-5 Northbound to the 14 Freeway. Go north on the 14 Freeway toward Palmdale/Lancaster. Continue on the 14 Freeway approximately 23 miles to the Crown Valley exit. Turn right onto Crown Valley. Go 1.6 miles, and turn right onto Smith Avenue. Continue 1/2 mile up Smith Avenue (past the first stop sign). Ortiz Ranch will be on your right at 4035 W. Smith. For more information, contact Charlie Colella at (661) 285-5306.

Phoenix Rodeo is a hit!

The 2000 Roadrunner Regional Rodeo welcomed over 200 contestants to Phoenix, Arizona, on MLK weekend. Although the days were long and the competition was tough, this rodeo brought out great camaraderie and determination in all. Congratulations to all GLAC Members who brought home ribbons and buckles! Thank you to AGRA and to all of the volunteers who made this rodeo happen. As for the parties... those of us who were sober enough to remember the weekend's events can remind those of us who weren't what great fun they really were!

Important Election Information!!!

Don't forget to nominate your respected peers for Chapter Officer positions and State Board Representatives. It is very important to the future of our chapter that each member becomes as involved as s/he feels comfortable. To run, you must be a chapter member in good standing on the day of the election (and you can nominate yourself). To make a nomination, contact Nils at (562) 435-2511 or Thom at (323) 256-7868 or at

tbngrendel@aol.com. For more details on either election, see the January 2000 issue of "The Chute" or contact Thom or Nils at the phone numbers above. To find out more about position duties and responsibilities, contact Thom or Nils or the member currently serving in the position. Watch for nomination invitations in your mailbox soon!

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LOS ANGELES RODEO INFORMATION

Rodeo Kick-off Parties in Planning Stage

Several Rodeo Kick-off Parties are in the planning stage and more may be on the way. Please reserve the following dates and plan to join your chapter-mates in celebrating the opening of L.A. Rodeo 2000:

***Sunday, March 26, 2000, Fire Island, Long Beach ***Sunday, April 2, 2000, West Hollywood ***Sunday, April 9, 2000, Rawhide, North Hollywood

Watch for details on all Rodeo Kick-Off Parties in upcoming newsletters.

T-Shirts at L.A. Rodeo Booth in Phoenix

A huge thank you to Mark Jensen and Lenore Mankoff for manning the L.A. Rodeo booth at Phoenix Rodeo. In addition to handing out information on the upcoming L.A. Rodeo, Mark and Lenore sold the first L.A. Rodeo T-shirts to come off the production line. The T-shirts were designed by David Medzerian, current GLAC President, and Sherry Le, 2000 L.A. Rodeo Merchandise Chair. They are currently available in navy and grey, and they look

fabulous! If you haven't gotten a T-shirt yet, make sure to buy one before they are gone.

Lenore and Mark will be overseeing a booth at the Las Vegas Rodeo in March as well and will again need help manning the table. They can't do it alone! Even those competing can stop by during those rodeos and give them a hand (or a well-needed break)! They would certainly appreciate the help!

L.A. Rodeo Seeking Assistants

The chairs of the various rodeo committees continue to seek assistants for the Year 2000 Rodeo. This can be a great opportunity to get more involved in the nuts and bolts of the Rodeo. Assistants will work alongside chairs learning what it takes to make the

Rodeo happen. All areas are currently seeking assistants, including entertainment, security, publicity, operations, and others. If you are interested, please contact Steve Creber at (562) 624-1011 or at screber@usa.net.

New Members and More ...

Welcome to new members Matthew Johnson (belated) and Joe Machado. Welcome back to Sue Downing, Boyd Graham, Jim Hoffman, Tracy Keiper, Sherry Le, Joe Olney, Cyndi Pasi, Renee Rettstatt, Connie Risch, and Kevin Weeks, who have all signed on for another year of rodeo antics. And warm wishes to Robert Huber, Scott Bidstrup, Doreen Simmons, Drew Oberbeck, Matthew Johnson, and

Jim Hoffman, who all celebrated birthdays in January. Good luck to all in the 2000 Rodeo Season!

As usual, you can e-mail newsletter content and/or comments to me at: dmdeming@yahoo.com
I look forward to hearing from you!

Submissions to the newsletter are welcome (subject to editing for space or content) by the 15th of each month. All published materials, including the chapter logo, "LA Rodeo" logo and posters, newsletter, "LARODEO.COM" and website contents are Copyright © 1999 GSGRA-L.A., a California non-profit corporation. Any use without prior permission is a violation of copyright law.

CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

Feb. 5 STATE BOARD MEETING Los Angeles Hilton Burbank Airport 2500 Hollywood Way, Burbank

Feb. 6 L.A. CHAPTER PLAYDAY 10 AM Ortiz Ranch, Acton (Directions and details in this issue) Feb. 19

GLAC CHAPTER MEETING The Center, Long Beach 2017 E. Fourth St., Long Beach

MARCH

Mar. 3-5 **BIGHORN RODEO** Las Vegas, Nevada

10 AM

Mar. 11 **GLAC BOARD MEETING** 10 AM Hansen Dam Equestrian Center

2000 MEETING SCHEDULE

10 am Sat. Apr. 2, Hansen Dam (chapter) 10 am Sat. May 13, Long Beach (board) 10 am Sat. June 10. Long Beach ("annual meeting of members" with chapter elections) 10 am Sun. July 9, L.A. (board)

4 pm Sat. Aug. 12, L.A. (chapter, with potluck after) 10 am Sat. Sept. 16, Long Beach (baord) 10 am Sat. Oct. 7, Long Beach (chapter)

10 am Sat. Nov. 4, L.A. (board) 10 am Sun. Dec. 3, L.A. (chapter)



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THE GOLDEN STATE GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION

A Member Association of the International Gay Rodeo Association

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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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W HAT'S THE CHATTER?

The Phoenix rodeo, were they ready? The RoadRunner Regional was one to remember. We counted over 20 chapter members present (Where did Rich Burgi go), 10 of which made a splash with the new chapter dress shirts. (By now you will have seen them at the chapter meeting - info to order is below) We were all pleasantly surprised when Erika showed up to march with the state royalty, and be with her chapter. The stories abound from "take a number" Wes, to Alex starting out in fourth for shoot dogging. Unfortunately, the editor is in a bit of a haze and isn't quite sure who placed in what, but I do know, Capital Crossroads is a high spirited group. Attendees and contestant "done the chapter proud"!

From the words of one of our new contestants:

Well, now that the Phoenix Rodeo is behind us I want to take a few minutes to let everyone know what incredible support and camaraderie I felt being a first-time contestant there. People I met for the first time walked up to me and told me what an incredible group we (the Sacramento Chapter) are. Arriving Friday afternoon and leaving after the "Survivors" brunch, our group experienced some pretty incredible things. Zach Jackson and I placed in Goat Dressing both days. Although there weren't any buckles bestowed upon us, we'll be attending the Bighorn Rodeo in Las Vegas in March to better our time.

The events at the Rodeo were extremely well organized and the entertainment was awesome as well. My dance card was truly full all weekend long starting with the Welcome party at Charlie's Friday night, the competition (in the arena) on Saturday and Sunday, the Entertainment and dancing at the Rodeo grounds both days; T-bones restaurant on Sunday and all the incredible Cowboys I met. At one point there were 5 states represented in an after-hours party we hosted on Monday night. What a way to bring the weekend to a close. I want to personally thank The Capitol Crossroads Sierra Stampede for getting me involved with rodeo as it has truly become a way of life for me (I can't get enough) and all the guys (and gals) that partied with us after the events from Illinois, Utah, Calgary, Texas and Arizona; you were all an integral part of the experience we all call RODEO!! Stacey Spear

Hanky Panky Casino Night at the Mercantile on February 19th, hosted by your current Royalty. See past and present Royalty deal those hot 21's and try your luck! Wear you hanky or bandanna and receive drinks for happy hour prices all night. Dan Self, member and bar manager, has been a great supporter! Let's help the Royalty with a fun event and continue supporting those who support us!

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL Capital Crossroad Members

FROM: Secretary CCC, Herb "Zack" Kreiter

RE: Proposed By-Law Change

The following was proposed and seconded at the November 21, 1999 Chapter Meeting. Under our current by-laws I need to send out a notification of proposed by-law change 30 days before a vote of the members can commence. This proposed by-law change will be voted on Sunday, March 19, 2000.

Elections to be held in November of every year for officers of the chapter. The term of office for elections held in November shall be from January 1, to December 31 of the following year. Current by-laws requiring an election in July will be deleted. The term of office of current officers shall be extended to December 31, 2000.



NEXT RODEO MEETING - February 15TM AT JOSEPH'S, 7:00P.M. BE EARLY, 6:00 P.M., AND JOIN MEMBERS FOR DINNER! IF YOU CAN'T MAKE IT EARLY, BRING YOUR ENTHUSIASM AND IDEAS. WE ARE 'ON TO "Rodeo 2000"!

CALENDAR

February

- -GSGRA State Board Meeting, Long Beach, 10:00a.m.
- 6 --GSGRA Buck out in Acton, CA (by Lancaster/Palmdale) hosted by the GLAC Chapter. Watch for details!
- 11-13 --RETURN TO RENO a weekend dedicated to training and sharing of ideas of putting on a rodeo. Those interested in attending should contact Doug Graff, former Mr. IGRA, with the Bay Area chapter. Try to attend it should be a very worthwhile event. Reno is just over the "hill" let us this as a spring board for building interest in our rodeo as well!
- 15 -- Chapter Rodeo Meeting, 7:00P.M. Joseph's Town and Country
- 19 -- HANKY PANKY CASINO NIGHT, at the Mercantile, 20th and L St. Call the hotline for details.

March

- 3-5 -- Bighorn Rodeo, Las Vegas
- 19 --Chapter and Rodeo meeting. We will have a potluck and playday to get ready for the LA rodeo in April.

BAY AREA CHAPTER



Not to be left out....

I'm Clint Johnson, Secretary of the Bay Area Chapter. Over the past 10 years I have been involved with IGRA as a rough stock contestant, chute and arena official and have served on the local and state executive boards. Presently, I also serve as the GSGRA Secretary. Many of you will recognize me from the Bay Area Rodeos as the "extremely efficient, organized and helpful" Assistant Arena Director.

Growing up in Sonoma County, surrounded by vineyards, ranches and the Russian River, I became involved with C&W events and rodeo at an early age. After college and upon returning to my "homeland" from the bright lights of LA, I renewed my enthusiasm for rodeo and became the Northern California Spokesman for the International Pro Rodeo Association, based in Oklahoma

City. This was a great opportunity and afforded me in-depth training and experience within small rodeo production and promotion which has continued to be a benefit with my involvement in GSGRA.

To pay for my weekends and the activities I enjoy, I work in the financial district of San Francisco as a Sr. Legal Analyst for a large California law firm. In my spare time, I volunteer with the Golden Gate Recreation Area at the Marin Headlands National Park. I have been training for certification to work at the Park Visitors Center, Pt. Bonita Lighthouse and other environmental areas as a docent and tour leader. Next time you visit the Headlands, come out and visit our 13,000+ acres of beautiful wildlife, trails, campgrounds and historic sites along the coast Pacific Coast.

Overall, my involvement with GSGRA, as an organization full of talented, caring and interesting people, has been very rewarding to me on many levels. I have had the opportunity to meet many members and look forward to getting to know many more over the years. Please feel free to contact me regarding any questions or comments you may have. (cjohnson@hbblaw.com)

Clint M. Johnson Haight, Brown & Bonesteel, LLP San Francisco, CA 94104



Words from the Pres!

Just a few short words this month. Get ready for a ton of fun this spring. Look at everything coming up. Dancing at the 1220 and Sundance, Reno, fund raising at the Eagle, and on and on. Don't forget our plans for mud football either. Check the website, come to the meetings, and keep that hotline phone number handy.



Yours in a rodeo way, Doug

Fun Things Coming Your Way

February Chapter Meeting. Thursday, February 17th at the San Jose Hyatt at 7:30.



BAR-B-QUE. It's just about time for our world famous Sunday afternoon fund raisers at the Eagle Tavern. This year you get twice the fun! See you there on Sunday, March 19th and May

MUD FOOTBALL. Coming soon to a muddy field near you in the spring. Keep alert for upcoming details.

Remember, all events are subject to change after press time. So, make it a habit to check the hotline at (415) 561-9228 and/or the webpage often.

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