

# CALIFORNIA RODEOS

For the year  2001

Bay Area Rodeo - San Jose  
June 15-17, 2001

L.A. Rodeo  
Los Angeles  
April 27-29, 2001

IGRA Finals  
Rodeo  
Palm Springs  
October  
18-21 2001

Sierra Stampede  
Sacramento  
Aug 17-19 2000

San Diego Rodeo  
San Diego  
September 21-23, 2001

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The Official Newsletter  
of G.S.G.R.A.





# Bay Area NEWS

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## Events

### November

**Wednesday, November 1**  
Chapter Night at Grand Nationals  
Cow Palace in San Francisco

**Friday Nov 10 - Sunday Nov 12**  
TGRA RODEO - Fort Worth

**Friday Nov 17 - Sunday Nov 19**  
State Board Meeting  
Palm Springs

**Sunday, November 12**  
Chapter Meeting  
Football in the Park

### December

**Friday, December 1**  
Chapter Night Out  
Castroville

**Thursday, December 7**  
Chapter Meeting

### January

**Friday Jan 12 - Sunday Jan 14**  
Phoenix Rodeo

## San Diego Top Eight!

**Bareback Bronc**  
Debbie Andrews - 4<sup>th</sup> (Sunday)

**Barrel Racing**  
Debbie Freeman - 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Sandy O'Dell - 2<sup>nd</sup> (Saturday)

**Chute Dogging**  
Debbie Andrews 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Flag Racing**  
Jerry Anaya - 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Debbie Freeman - 1<sup>st</sup> (Saturday)

**Goat Dressing**  
John Carrillo & Doug Graff - 4<sup>th</sup>  
Troy Clark - 1<sup>st</sup> (Sunday)

**Pole Bending**  
Jerry Anaya - 7<sup>th</sup>,  
Debbie Freeman - 4<sup>th</sup>

## Do You Know Me?

See if you can guess the member!

I'm a Bay Area native, and actually grew up on farm, in Hayward no less! Yep, once upon a time there were such things here. I've been a member for several years, and really enjoy my involvement with the club. While I'm not a big competitor in the arena, you can always find me on the dance floor. When I'm not dancing, look for me at the fund-raisers, I'm almost always in a booth.

The first person to email the correct answer AND be in attendance at the NOVEMBER meeting will be awarded a way cool prize.

Get those guesses coming: email answer to [Rodeojab@aol.com](mailto:Rodeojab@aol.com) or leave a voicemail on the Hotline.

The October Mystery Member was  
**DEBBIE ANDREWS**



(Horse courtesy Jerry Anaya)

## Another officer steps up Who's next?

Gregg continues his role as backbone of the chapter and perennial executive officer this year. Now in his sixth year of membership he's always there to help out. According to him, it just seems like yesterday since he joined and got involved. He said that he really wants to urge everyone to get involved. One of things he values most from his membership are the great friendships that he has made.



## BAC Member(s) of the Month Eddie & Louie

They've covered it all. Originally from NY and IL, now happily located in the Bay Area they recently joined the chapter. Not content to wait on the sidelines, they jumped in with both feet and started volunteering right away.

## October Mystery Member DEBBIE ANDREWS

Yep, that's me. Can you believe I've only been doing this for a few years? After moving out here from Michigan, I stumbled on the BAC gang one night in Walnut Creek. After taking some dance lessons, I was hooked and started competing right away. While I mostly do rough stock and drag, I actually did compete, once, in speed events. Bet that fooled ya!



## New Members!      Renewing Members

Eddie Kornuszko	Marci Garcia
Louie Mikos	Debbie Freeman
Ross Allen	Gregg Harvey
James Briones	Harry Miller
	Bill Gorman
	(We missed you!)

# Cowboy Talk

Hi Everyone,

We have lots of big steps coming up. For starters, there is the annual state meeting. This is where we bid for our rodeo...so after we have the states approval for our rodeo, we will need to finalize the contracts with the hotel and the fairgrounds. These are big steps and it will be a relief to get them out of the way.

It was good to see all of you at club 1220 in Walnut Creek. I am sure Royalty appreciated your support. It was a lot of fun and felt good to be associated with such great people. Royalty really does a lot of work all year long. Rodeo Support, fund raising, charity, entertainment. They always seem to be there when we need help. Royalty and Rodeo go hand in hand and I think we are holding hands with some of the finest Royalty ever. Thank You Royalty 2000!

If you have ever considered or know someone who is interested in running for Royalty and would like more information please contact the current Royalty listed below. You can contact the 2000 Royalty at

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We have a big night coming up Friday December 1st in Castroville! Castroville? YES. CASTROVILLE! We have long neglected our Latino family in the Castroville / Salinas area. They on the other hand come faithfully every June to our Rodeo. It is about time that we go down there and say THANK YOU. It's going to be a fun night with entertainment and surprise put on by our own club members. If you would like to stay the night you can make arrangements at the Artichoke Inn @ 831-633-3300 or there are a number of hotels in the Salinas area. Please consider coming down to show your support.

November's meeting is going to be in conjunction with a touch football game and cook out. Wear your game face as well as your play clothes! If ya don't like football come anyway. There will be plenty of other fun things to do. We could always use cheerleaders!

Keep your eye on our calendar. We have a lot of events planed and would hate to have you miss out. We are really trying to do more fun related activities so if you have any ideas or suggestions please feel free to express yourself.

Thanks a Million,  
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Dear Friends

This Thanksgiving as you reflect on your blessings- and perhaps even on some of the challenges that have help you grow- take a minute to consider those who have few blessings to count, those who's challenger have overwhelmed them. We are all very grateful for these blessings, a potpourri of Rodeo's, events, parties and fun. It is a time of Joy, a time to Celebrate the bounty we have and reflect on what was and what lay's ahead.

Each of us in our own way have many things to be thankful for, especially this Thanksgiving. Many friends, cowboys and cowgirls, loved ones and strangers have passed this year, as with all of you, I am thankful to have known then, to have shared a small part of their life and wish them well on their journey with much love and affection.

Happy Thanksgiving everyone, have a safe and wonderful holiday. Play hard, be safe and most of all give thanks.

Bob Pulliam

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## CONGRATULATIONS INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONS!!!

Congratulations to International Calf Roping on Foot Champion **Christy Cotton** (a.k.a. Mama) for bringing home the buckle from IGRA Finals Rodeo, October 21-22, 2000. In celebrating her victory, Christy would like to thank **Bob Tomasino** of Oil Can Harry's Dance Hall and Saloon for a wonderful year full of sponsorship and support. She would also like to thank her hazer, **Kevin Mock**, to whom she attributes winning this buckle!



In addition, GLAC congratulates hazer **Kevin** for his own International Champion title in Goat Dressing, which he proudly shares with his partner of 9 1/2 years, **Craig Mount**. Way to go guys!

GLAC's **Bonnie Boone** was the happy recipient of the All Around Cowgirl 3<sup>rd</sup> Runner-Up title at International Finals. Congratulations, Bonnie.

And last, but certainly not least, BOTH recipients of the Rookie of the Year titles hail from the Los Angeles Chapter! Congratulations to **Nicole Phelps** and **Todd Trampp** for sharing those top rookie honors.

Congratulations to all GLAC members who participated in the IGRA Finals rodeo. Whether as contestants, officials, or volunteers, you were invited because you are the BEST in the WORLD. We are proud to have each and every one of you as GLAC Chapter members!

## BE the FUTURE of GLAC...

If you want to be involved in making important decisions that affect the future of GLAC, don't miss the upcoming Board Meeting on November 7, 2000 in the Tea Room at the Franklin Towers in Hollywood.

**Directions to the Franklin Towers:** From the 101 FWY Northbound, exit Hollywood Blvd. Go left on Hollywood Blvd., right on N. Fuller Ave. and right on Franklin Ave. From the 101 FWY Southbound, exit Highland Ave. Continue south on Highland to Franklin Ave. Turn right on Franklin Ave. The building is located at 7250 Franklin Ave., just west of La Brea Ave on the south side of the street. There is some street parking available and there is FREE VALET PARKING.

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## GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER



Thom B., Kevin, Jerry, Roz, and Sue working hard at LA/Valley Pride

### Remember the Cowbells...



Though it seems like so long ago, it was just a few short weeks past that GLAC members got together to pour drinks and collect tips at the first annual L.A./Valley Pride event. Clothing came off, kisses were exchanged for tips, and the cowbells rang loudly each time a tip was dropped in one of our special tip jars. With booths from the Country, Disco, and Latin dance tents competing against each other and against the Main Stage, Margaritas, and the Cabaret stage, the group of dedicated GLAC workers raised over \$1400 dollars toward the 2001 Rodeo Bid in one weekend.

Thank you to each of you who worked this event and represented our organization in a positive light to the rest of the gay community: Bill P., Bob B., Bob H., Brad R., Brian C., Charlie C., Cliff W., Craig M., Craig W., Cyndi P., David M., Devon D., Don T., Emily G., Erin E., Frank D., Garrett R., Gilbert, Glenn, Gonzo G., Greg G., Heather W., Jackie E., Jerry L., Joe M., Joe O., John P., Keith A., Kevin M., Larry A., Lenore M., Lewis P., Lisa J., Mark J., Matthew J. (Bell Thief), Mike F., Pat D., Renee R., Robb C., Robert P., Roger B., Roger D., Ron C., Roz C., Ruth H., Sara O., Scott L., Sherry L., Steve C., Steve L., Steven B., Sue L., Sunnie R., Thom B., Thom S., Tony T., Tracey K., Warren S., and additional members of the Imperial Court of Los Angeles.

### ★ "Pets Are Wonderful Support" Joins In ★

The Los Angeles Chapter of the charitable organization Pets are Wonderful Support (PAWS/LA) has been chosen as the first beneficiary organization for the 2001 LA Rodeo. PAWS/LA is dedicated to brightening and easing the lives of those with HIV/AIDS and their pets, and helping them to live more powerfully and independently by providing compassionate assistance with the care and feeding of their animals. Some of the services provided by PAWS/LA include walking feeding, and grooming pets of people living with HIV/AIDS. The involvement of this organization in the upcoming LA Rodeo is especially meaningful given the importance of animals in all of our lives. We welcome PAWS/LA to our LA Rodeo family.

## CALENDAR

### NOVEMBER

- November 4 10AM **GLAC BOARD MEETING**  
Franklin Towers Tea Room  
Hollywood, CA
- November 10-12 **TGRA RODEO**  
Fort Worth, TX
- November 17-19 **GSGRA State Board Meeting & Royalty Competition**  
Palm Springs, CA

### DECEMBER

- December 3 11AM - 4 PM **GLAC CHAPTER MEETING & HOLIDAY PARTY**  
Bring a side dish, beverages, and canned goods to be donated to a food bank.  
**RSVP by November 25, 2000 to Sue or Connie at 714-828-3438.**  
Franklin Towers Tea Room  
Hollywood, CA

### 2001 MEETINGS & EVENTS

- Saturday, Jan. 6, 2001, Long Beach Center (Board)  
Saturday, Feb. 3, 2001, Long Beach Center (Chapter)  
Feb. 10-11, 2001, State Board Meeting, Long Beach  
Sunday, Feb. 11, 2001, Buckout, Location TBA  
Sunday, Mar. 4, 2001, Beer Bust @ Pistons in LB



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## Greater San Diego Chapter

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### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Congratulations to all for another year under our belt! Great job everyone! The feedback and what I saw of this years' event was that it was incredibly organized and went extremely smoothly. (what they don't see! Good job on putting out the fires and hiding the creases!) Because of your hard work and how you make it fun, our active and general membership has grown substantially over the last year. Now that we've had a month off to recover, it's time to get into full swing planning next years' event. When this newsletter is published, we should be in the process of electing a new Executive Board for 2001. If you want to get more involved, run for an office, ask to be a coordinator or chair, or ask to be someone's assistant. Just about everyone can use a hand (some can use more than one...) and in the process you'll learn more about how our organization ticks. Now is the time to start getting involved for Rodeo 2001. Believe it or not, work has already started on setting up the event, and many very important decisions regarding Rodeo 2001 will be made in the next couple of meetings. Come to a meeting and have your say! In closing, I would like to say thank you to all the people who make this organization one I am proud to be a member of. You have left me with friends and memories that I will always cherish. Thank you for letting me serve as your President - my successor is very fortunate that s/he will inherit a wonderful, hard-working, fun-loving group of people!

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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GSGRA-SD's own Kirk Carter, competing at San Diego Rodeo 2000.



### PRIDE EVENTS

Palm Springs Pride is being held Nov. 4 and 5. Come out and help them fill Angel Field, making it the biggest and gayest party of the year! They've guaranteed lots of great music and dancing, not to mention great weather. So, if you're really in the mood to party one more time before the holiday season begins, this is the place to do it!

### UPCOMING RODEOS

#### TGRA RODEO

They say that everything is bigger in Texas. Be sure to see if this is true by attending the 17th annual TGRA rodeo in Fort Worth on November 9-12. You can find out more about the rodeo by going to [www.tgra.org](http://www.tgra.org) or by calling the TGRA hotline at (713) 777-0410.

# RIDE INTO THE MILLENNIUM

## Did you know?

The Eleventh Annual San Diego Gay and Lesbian Rodeo was held on Sept. 16-19, 1999 at the Del Mar Fairgrounds.

The 1999 board members:

**President:** Dan Bradford  
**EV Pres:** Robert Kojima  
**Treasurer:** Del Castillo  
**Secretary:** Joseph Berry  
**Rodeo Dir:** Nancy Novak  
**Rodeo Ops:** JJ Jennings

**Arena Directors:**  
Frank Elam, Jr.  
Erin Eaton

**Grand Marshal:**  
David Pickle

**Member of the Year:**  
Robert Kojima

**Charities:**  
Special Delivery

## RODEO CALENDAR

### RODEO MEETING SCHEDULE

The Annual Meeting of Members, and the elections for the Rodeo 2001 Executive Board, will be held on Wednesday, November 1st. If you recently became a member, and haven't attended a meeting yet, this is a good time to start. Now's the time to get involved! On Tuesday, November 21st, the Rodeo Roundtable meeting will be held. Both meetings start at 7pm and are held at the Rodeo office at 3758 30th Street. Hope to see you there.

### GSGRA STATE BOARD MEETING

The next State Board Meeting will be held over the weekend of November 16th. The Greater Palm Springs chapter of the GSGRA will be the host for this meeting. If you are interested in seeing what life is like in the other chapters of the GSGRA, come on and attend this meeting. All are welcome! If you would like to go, or would like information about the meeting, you can talk to your State Reps, Joseph Berry and Dan Bradford, or the Alternates, Robert Farley and James Gearity. Besides the normal rodeo business, the contest for Mr., Ms., and Miss GSGRA will be held this weekend. Come out and support your Mr. GSGRA-SD contestant Ron Call, your Ms. GSGRA-SD contestant, Michelle Chagnon, and your Miss GSGRA-SD contestant, Riva.

### ANNUAL CHAPTER DINNER

The annual GSGRA-SD Chapter Dinner will be held on Friday, November 10th. This year's dinner will be held at the Red Fox Inn. The Red Fox Inn is a well-known, San Diego landmark, best known for its wonderful steak dinners and its old-fashioned charm. The restaurant is located on El Cajon Blvd, just a few blocks East of Park Blvd. For more information or RSVP, contact Joseph Berry at (619) 296-6121. Cost is \$18/person.

## From the desk of: *'The Pres'*

IGRA Year 2000 has come to a close. I would like to congratulate all of you who participated in IGRA Finals in Albuquerque. I would also like to thank all of those who played a significant role in making the year 2000 a successful year for our four rodeos. Members who work the chutes, being a judge, a chapter or state officer, committee chair, or being a ready and willing volunteer that made it all happen. THANK YOU! Thanks to Sherry Le, GLAC, we have "Team GSGRA" shirts. It is this type of enthusiasm based on the experience you members have, which will continue our momentum into 2001

I have talked with many of you and the challenges we have ahead are not new, but due for a fresh look. Now it is time to look to future:

#### Membership:

GSGRA's membership grow by 40% in the last year. How do we successfully retain our current membership and make it grow? - in all chapters? We have also added a new chapter, the Greater Palm Springs Chapter, which will host the IGRA 2001 finals, bringing our total to five state "sponsored" rodeos. How can the chapters work better together to meet our goals for membership?

#### Rodeo:

With each chapter now putting on a rodeo, and style and venues being quite different, how can the state be more supportive? How can the chapters work better together to meet our goals for rodeos?

#### State:

What does the state organization give to both its members, and to the chapters? What can the State officers and Chapter Board Representatives do to insure the financial and educational viability of the State? How can we as a group be more affective within IGRA?

#### California College

This is a beginning. My goal is to have a full weekend of interactive seminars to benefit chapter and state operations, their current and "emerging" leaders, also, for rodeos and rodeo events. This would be based in part on IGRA University, created by our own Craig Rouse. I would like to use that event on

February 17<sup>th</sup> as a spring board by having GSGRA provide speakers and discussion leaders from within GSGRA and IGRA, as well outside the organization that are more specific to our needs.

I would encourage you to be at the next State Board meeting being held in Palm Springs on November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2000. I believe the answers are there and "Team GSGRA" will provide them. The meeting will be formatted a bit different this time and it is my hope that this will be the beginning of putting these answers together to benefit all of us as members of GSGRA. Starting at 10AM we will dedicate time to membership: how we can better serve members, how we can increase growth, and other related topics. There will also be time dedicated to rodeo production and current topics of concern affecting all chapters, such as insurance. The regular business meeting will follow, culminating in a GSGRA reception being coordinated by the Palm Springs Chapter and State Officers at 4PM. This will be followed by the GSGRA Royalty competition.

I want to extend a special thanks to Michael DeYonker, Joseph Olney, Robert Kojima, Barry Hamm, Bill Chapman, Nancy Novak, Frank Delgado, Billy Hughes and Wes Wilkinson for their help and input as I adjust to my new role as State President.

I encourage each of you to contact me, if I don't get to you first, with your thoughts and ideas!

Here is to a very challenging and rewarding 2001!

Mark Marshall 916-446-6061  
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**GSGRA State Board Meeting,**  
November 18, 2000

**Palms Springs Marquis Resort**  
150 S. Indian Canyon Drive  
Palm Springs, California 92262  
Reservations: (800) 233-1050  
[www.psmarquis.com](http://www.psmarquis.com)  
**(Mention GSGRA for the rate of \$125.00)**

#### Agenda

10:00-12:00	Membership
12:00-12:45	Lunch
12:45-2:00	Rodeo Discussion
2:00-4:00	State meeting (carry to Sunday if needed)
4:00-6:00	Reception for all board members and attendees to meet and mingle



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### FROM THE PRESIDENT

Howdy,

Believe it or not....the 2001 Rodeo Season is HERE!!!! Our year to host, for the Golden State Gay Rodeo Association, the 2001 Finals in October 2001! What a privilege and great way to "showcase" our Chapter. Now it is up to us! We each have a responsibility to make FINALS 2001 in Palm Springs...the VERY BEST ever!!!! To do this, each and every one of us in the Greater Palm Springs Chapter, along with all of our fellow GSGRA members will need to work together as a team. All year long our team has to create excitement for this event, as well as work to make each and every contestant and volunteer feel appreciated and welcome. We need to be open to all ideas and suggestions and encourage participation in the production of IGRA 's greatest event ever! Submit all your ideas and suggestions to [barry@cowboys.com](mailto:barry@cowboys.com).

GSGRA State Board Meeting and Royalty Competition on November 18<sup>th</sup> should be a GRAND event for us all. I want to thank each and every one of you that have contributed to putting this event together. We look forward to seeing all of our fellow GSGRA members as well as members from other IGRA Associations at this very special event. Rooms are still available at the Marquis Hotel (800) 233- 1050 . Ask for the GSGRA rate ....and be ready for the great party on Saturday night !!!!!

Happy trails,

Barry Hamm, President



### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE GPSC RODEO TEAM

While the US Olympic Team was winning medals Down Under, our GPSC Rodeo Team was winning ribbons and a buckle Down South in San Diego. Dan Guevara won a first place ribbon in Barrel Racing and our Cowgirls brought home a hatfull of honors. Elodie Huttner won a third place ribbon in Bareback Broncs, a fourth place in Steer Riding, and a first in Chute Dogging. Anna Shannon won a fourth in Chute Dogging, two thirds and a buckle in Wild Drag. Jill Singh came back after being off the circuit a while to win two fourths in Barrels and a third overall in Pole Bending. Diane Shannon won a third in Calf Roping on Foot.

We were well represented in the Dance Contests as well. Gorge Aguilar won a second in every category -- Jack and Jill Two Step and Line Dances Tush Push, Watermelon Crawl and Mambo Shuffle. Gorge and Lorry King won a Silver Medal in the Pro-Am Dance Competition.

The GPSC Cowgirls did us proud at Finals 2000! Diane Shannon won a second place ribbon in Calf Roping on Foot, Elodie Huttner won both a third and a sixth in Chute Dogging and Nicole Phelps won the Rookie Cowgirl of the Year buckle!! What a great way to end the 2000 Rodeo year. Ft. Worth is next and will be just the beginning of many more wins for both our Cowgirls and Cowboys. Won't it be great when some of our members win at finals 2001 in Palm Springs in front of a home-town crowd!

Lorry King, Secretary



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Palm Spring Gay Pride  
2000  
November 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>**  
For more information, go to:  
[www.pspride.org](http://www.pspride.org)

#### GSGRA STATE BOARD MEETING ROYALTY COMPETITION

November 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2000  
Palms Springs Marquis Resort  
150 S. Indian Canyon Drive  
Palm Springs, California 92262  
Reservations: (800) 233-1050  
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# THE GOLDEN STATE GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION

A Member Association of the International Gay Rodeo Association

## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Membership records are strictly confidential. G.S.G.R.A. is an organization of men and women. Ownership of a horse is not required to be a member. Membership fees are for one year from the date of receipt. Family memberships are available to any two persons residing at the same address. Members must be at least 18 years of age. Some G.S.G.R.A. events are held in locations with age restrictions that would exclude members under the age of 21.

Individual.....\$40.00    Family.....\$75.00

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

PRIMARY MEMBER		CHAPTER AFFILIATION
NAME		Please check the chapter with which you would like to be affiliated. Members that do not indicate a preference will be considered to have selected Member at Large.
ADDRESS		
CITY		
STATE/ZIP		
BIRTHDAY	/ / <small>Year Optional</small>	
PHONE #		
E-MAIL		<input type="checkbox"/> GREATER L.A.
All new members receive an engraved G.S.G.R.A. name badge. Please print here the way you would like us to engrave yours.		<input type="checkbox"/> BAY AREA
DATE		<input type="checkbox"/> GREATER SAN DIEGO
SIGNATURE		<input type="checkbox"/> CAPITOL CROSSROADS
		<input type="checkbox"/> GREATER PALM SPRINGS
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All new members receive an engraved G.S.G.R.A. name badge. Please print here the way you would like us to engrave yours.		
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*You better  
do what  
Mama  
Membership  
says*

**Invite  
a friend  
to join  
Team G.S.G.R.A.**

*Remember: It's not nice to fool Mama Membership*

**MEMBERSHIP IS REQUIRED TO COMPETE!!!!**  
If there ever was any doubt, let's put it to rest once and for all! Membership, in good standing, in an IGRA Member Association is required to compete in IGRA and/or GSGRA sanctioned rodeos and some other events. If a rodeo secretary is unable to verify current membership from lists provided by Associations or from membership cards carried by the member, the contestant will be required to join an Association in order to compete and any fees paid will not be refunded.

### THE RESPONSIBILITY IS NOW YOURS

To avoid problems carry your membership card with you to all GSGRA and IGRA events and renew your membership as soon as you receive your renewal notice. If you do not know when your renewal is due check the top line of the address on any membership mail your receive including *The Chute*. Your membership expires at the end of the month shown on the top line. If you still have questions talk to your Chapter Membership Chair or contact the Membership Committee by e-mail at: [membership@gsgra.org](mailto:membership@gsgra.org) or by mail at: 4226 East 15th Street, Long Beach, CA 90804.





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## **Behind The Chutes**

As we quickly approach Halloween and the Fall season. We are reminded That The holidays are quickly approaching. They are coming all too quickly. The December Chapter meeting will be on SATURDAY DEC 2 beginning At 1:00pm and the location is yet to be determined; stay turned.

JEFF BARR is the NEW Activity Chair for the chapter. He is doing a great job and has a lot of great plans. Watch for his e-mails and information posted on the web-site for events and happenings. If you would like to do something or have any ideas to share, please contact Jeff and let him know.

Nominations are now open for the Chapter Board positions. The election of new board members will be at the Dec. 2 Chapter Meeting. You may nominate yourself or Someone of your choice. If you nominate another person, they must accept the Nomination. The positions that are voted in are PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT Admin, VICE-PRESIDENT Rodeo, SECRETARY, and TREASURER. All nominations Must be submitted to the current Secretary (Stacey) or President (Herb).

The Chapter has a lot of up coming activities, so watch the web-site and the chute for details on events.

## **Membership:**

Howdy Everyone ~

On behalf of all the members of the Capital Crossroads Chapter of GSGRA I would like to welcome the following new members to our group:

Jeanne Alvis, from Piedmont; her email address is [Lovez2laff@aol.com](mailto:Lovez2laff@aol.com), and her assigned Rodeo Buddy is Chuck Valdes.

Kathleen Burns from Rio Linda; her assigned Rodeo Buddy is Lin Daugherty.

Steven Cosner from San Francisco; his assigned Rodeo Buddy is Mark Marshall.

Thomas Pupp from Vacaville; his assigned Rodeo Buddy is Emma Kilvein

Our current membership count is at 126. We are now the largest chapter in GSGRA! Please join me in welcoming these guys and gals to our organization.

On a different and fun note;. I would like to invite everyone to come on out to The Depot tonight for Western Night at the Depot. We will be having a 50/50 Raffle and for each \$5.00 purchase of raffle tickets you get a bonus bang from the Capital Crossroads Chapter balloon board. Each balloon has a prize in it, you could have a chance to win \$20.00 in cash, or an additional amount of raffle tickets! The 50/50 Raffle has been a successful weekly fund raising event and in the first two weeks we have raised approximately \$250 for our Chapter. Everything gets started at 6:00 p.m. and the drawing will be held at 8:00 p.m.

Next Wednesday night at The Depot we will be hosting a Halloween Costume Contest with a great prize for the best costume. More details will Follow.

Wes Wilkinson  
Membership Chair

## **Calendar:**

**November:** 4 Thanksgiving Get-together Lin's Ranch,  
Marysville – 1:00pm until..... POT LOCK  
10-12 TGRA Rodeo – FortWorth Texas

**December:** 2 Chapter General Meeting & ELECTIONS!!!  
TBA --- Chapter Christmas Party

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