

# CALIFORNIA RODEOS

For the year  2002

Bay Area Rodeo - San Jose  
June 14-16, 2002

L.A. Rodeo  
Los Angeles  
April 19-21, 2002

San Diego Rodeo  
San Diego  
September 20-22, 2002



# The Chute

September 2002

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



# ★ THE ROYAL WORD ★

Hello from the GSGRA Royalty! The Team is gearing up for an exciting weekend at the **14<sup>th</sup> Annual San Diego Rodeo, September 19-22!** The event kicks off on Thursday, Sept. 19 at 7PM with a **Boots and Briefs Party!** The fun continues on Friday, Sept. 20 at the **Beach Ball Bash Pool Party** from 1-6PM. The San Diego Rodeo has something for everyone! **Dancing** venues will include lessons and the Twist & Shout Dance Competition, **fabulous entertainment** with performances by GSGRA and IGRA Royalty, and captivating **rodeo events** at the Del Mar Fair Grounds. For rodeo details check out the Greater San Diego Chapter's web site: [www.sandiegorodeo.com](http://www.sandiegorodeo.com).

**IGRA Finals Rodeo** is coming up in Wichita, Kansas on October 10-13. The GSGRA royalty team is pleased to announce that two members of the team will be competing in the **2003 IGRA ROYALTY COMPETITION!** **Ms. GSGRA Deana Dawn** and your new **Mr. GSGRA Ed Morgan** are proud to be contestants representing California at Finals.

Deana Dawn is hosting two fundraisers to help her get to Wichita. The first event is the opening game of the **49'er Football Parties** on Thursday, Sept. 5 at 5:30PM. Money raised will benefit the IGRA and location is the **Club Rendez-Vous** in San Francisco. Deana's **GOLD LUSH CHEERLEADERS** will be on hand to make some noise and show a little leg!

A second party on Saturday, Sept. 7 called **Cowboy Karaoke** will happen at **Marlena's** in SF at 10PM. All cowboys and cowgirls are welcome to come and sing their favorite country songs. Both bars are sponsoring Deana to bring home an IGRA Royalty Buckle so please come by and enjoy the fun!

Best regards,

**The 2002 GSGRA Royalty Team**

*Mr. GSGRA Ed Morgan*

*Ms. GSGRA Deana Dawn*

*Miss GSGRA Tiger Lily*

*1<sup>st</sup> Runner Up Mr. GSGRA Larry G*



For up to date Rodeo information and a full schedule of G.S.G.R.A. events, stop in and visit us at:

[www.gsgra.org](http://www.gsgra.org)

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## The Golden State Gay Rodeo Association

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## San Diego Rodeo 2002

Thursday Sept 19th—Sunday Sept 22nd

**Thursday . Boots & Briefs!**

**Friday . Cowboy Splash Pool Party!**

**Saturday and Sunday**

**Del Mar Fairgrounds**

Rodeo Performance in two Arenas

Entertainment and Open Dancing

**Saturday at the Radisson Hotel**

Couples and Line Dance Lessons

Twist & Shout Dance Contest

Stampede Dance Party and Entertainment

### Radisson Hotel

1433 Camino Del Rio, San Diego, CA 92108

619-260-0111 800-333-3333

Double : \$119 Triple: \$129 Quad: \$139 per night

Reservation Code: GSGRA.

### ADDED PURSE

**All Around Cowboy and Cowgirl**

**1st \$120 2nd \$80 3rd \$60 4th \$40**

All Around Rough Stock Men & Women \$100 each

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# Team G.S.G.R.A.

## When The Prez Speaks, everybody listens.....

Tradition! Nope, there's not a cowboy on a rooftop fiddling in the background, though, that might be an interesting interpretation. Hmmm.

Anyway. Tradition! A lot of times what we call tradition is really just a reluctance to change. Most of you are probably aware that I, and I don't think I'm alone on this, am pretty comfortable with keeping things fairly stable. It's nice knowing that the way things were yesterday will be the same today, tomorrow, and next year. That's not, however, a necessarily healthy way to approach life. Sometimes you need to rattle the box a little and see what happens. If you don't, you run the risk of becoming obsolete, falling behind the times, and becoming stuck in doing things the way you've always done them because, it's tradition.

We as a family need to look at where we are, and where we want to go. This past weekend we held the quarterly GSGRA board meeting. A lot of things that we always do got done. We revised some standing rules. We appointed some folks to the standing committees. We talked about a number of issues and we had a lot of fun. The Greater San Diego Chapter throws a great party!

We also did a few new things:  
· The board authorized creation of a Yahoo E-Group for the use of the GSGRA membership. The E-Group will be used to facilitate communication among the membership, to allow for easy distribution of flyers and notices of events being held by the chapters, and to allow for easy access of the membership to GSGRA records and information. I hope you will take

full advantage of this tool. Each member with an email address registered with GSGRA will receive an email invitation to join the E-Group. Only the email address on file with GSGRA may be used for E-Group access. To update your email address please contact either your chapter membership chair or the state membership chair.

· The board authorized an ad-hoc committee on GSGRA Growth and Development. The committee will be chaired by Drew Oberbeck. This committee will be charged with developing a roadmap of where we as an organization want to go over the next few years, what it means to be a member of GSGRA and how GSGRA will impact the various chapters throughout California. The goal of this committee will be to present a plan for adoption at the next meeting of the general membership.

· The board also authorized an ad-hoc committee to conduct outreach with the Capital Crossroads Gay Rodeo Association. Jim Gearity will chair this committee. The goal of this committee will be to investigate various alternatives to resolving the differences between GSGRA and CCGRA and to present a recommended plan at the next meeting of the general membership.

Committees on Education, Sponsorship, and Merchandise do not currently have a chair and all of the committees, both standing and ad-hoc, are in need of input and your participation. If you would like to serve on a committee this year, please drop me a note.

See you in San Diego!  
Jabby

## I.G.R.A. Convention from every angle.....

This was my third convention, though only my second as a delegate. At all three conventions I participated in the Bylaws discussions and I would have to say that this was my best experience to date. The Bylaws Committee Chair at

this convention did an excellent job of guiding the discussions and keeping everyone on track. The members of the committee were clearly focused on improving the quality of IGRA Bylaws and the favorite word of the day was "expunged," as we routinely opted to reduce the material covered in the bylaws, at times deleting entire sections.

Overall the convention ran very smoothly and I believe everyone had a very enjoyable time in Cleveland. PONY made everyone feel welcome and they through some really great parties. Next year's convention is in Phoenix, and I hope everyone will consider attending, just for the heck of it. I'm sure it's going to be an event to remember and we all know that the folks in Phoenix know how to host, so I'm definitely planning on being there.

Jabby

## Team G.S.G.R.A.

### Trustee Report

The IGRA Board met on July 27, 2002 in Cleveland, OH and conducted routine business. Tom Sheridan was elected as the new Public Relations Spokesperson. IGRA Vice President Tamara Marks gave us the IGRA Royalty Contestants packets. GSGRA VP Admin John Carrillo has the packets now and will have them available at the State Board meeting in San Diego. Linda M. Frazier KGRA President updated us on Finals and reported that ever thing is on tract for Finals for October 10-12,2002 Wichita, Kansas. Tri-Folds and posters have been given to each GSGRA chapter president.

### Awards

The Bay Area Chapter is the big winner of the Website of the year award. Take a look, It is one great website. [www.bayarearodeo.com](http://www.bayarearodeo.com)

Congratulations to GSGRA members: Doug Graff Presidents Award, Al Wright Trustees Award, Ruth Hilderbrandt Directors Award. Appreciation Awards were given to GSGRA members for the hard work at the IGRA level

in the past year David Medzerian-Trustee, Tom Sloan-Judges Chair, Doug Graff-Public Relation Spokesperson, and Roger Bergmann-Rodeo Rules Co-Chair. Appreciation Awards were given to the GSGRA rodeo directors Paul Thompson-GLAC, Doug Graff-BAC, and Jim Jennings-GSDC. Additional Appreciation Awards were given to The Westin Long Beach-Long Beach, The Brit-Long Beach, and the Hansen Dam Equestrian Center-Lake View Terrace for the support to GSGRA.

### IGRA Elections

Congratulation to Craig Rouse IGRA President and Ron Trustley IGRA Secretary. Both were reelected for two more years of hard work.

### Two New IGRA Associations

Two new IGRA associations were seated at convention. Welcome SSRA (Sooner State Rodeo Association) Tulsa, Oklahoma and to HSRA (High Sierra Rodeo Association) in Washoe County, Nevada.

### Convention, Finals and

### IGRA University 2003,2004

A reminder that 19<sup>th</sup> Annual IGRA Conventions 2003 will be in Phoenix, AZ July31-August 3, 2003. Hosted by AGRA. The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual IGRA Finals Rodeo 2003 will be in Tulsa, OK October 24-26, 2003 Hosted by OGRA with support from SSRA. Bids were awarded to CGRA for Convention 2004 and HGRA for Finales 2004. There was discussion about moving Convention out of the summer and in to February to fee up the summer weekends for Rodeos. Amy Griffin as the Rodeo Growth and Development chair and her committee are looking into the feasibility of this move. University 2003 will be held at the Busch Learning Center in St Louis, Mo February 14-16, 2003.

### Rodeo Rules Changes

There are some 22 pages of Rodeo Rules Changes. Some of the changes are editorial others are deletion of duplications and some rules were just move to a more appropriate location in the book. Now have said that us get on with a few of the big ones. All the new Rules will take effect November 1, 2002.



**Contestant entry fees** were raised to \$23. (First increase, by the way, since 1994.) The additional \$3 will go to the Hosting Association to help with the Rodeo production cost. In addition, it was agreed that the horse stalls should be included as part of this rodeo production cost. Horse contestants will not be the only ones that are assisting with the rodeo production cost, (paying stall fees whether the Hosting Association occurs cost for them or not.) All contestants will now help with the rodeo production with \$4 now going to the Hosting Association. This is in line with associations such as PRCA where Permit Card holders are required to pay a \$10 stock fee per event that they enter. Contestants with a horse will now get one free stall for the rodeo weekend. Contestants requiring additional stalls for horses may be required to pay a stall fee not to exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per horse stall for the rodeo weekend. Tack stall price are set by the hosting association and not part of this rule.

**Variances** to an IGRA rodeo requirement or rule must be approved by the IGRA Board of Trustees on later than 45 day prior to the rodeo.

**Stock contractor** must carry his/her own liability insurance. The policy information will be recorded on the Trustee's Rodeo Checklist. The Hosting Rodeo Association shall also obtain a copy of this liability insurance policy.

#### Rodeo Protest Procedures

When a protest is being reviewed, the announcer will be advised and will make an announcement that the event is under protest. The Secretary will be advised and will post a notice on the posting board that the event is "Under Protest".

**Gender:** For the purposes of competition within I.G.R.A., any transgender contestant is eligible to register and compete under the gender classification with which the individual identifies and lives as on a daily basis. Transgender contestants must present to an IGRA Auditor evidence of changing from their gender at birth. This documentation will be kept on file at the IGRA Administrative Office and only needs to be evaluated one time. Evidence may be their legal driver's license or I.D. card

if it indicates gender. The driver's license or I.D. card will be photocopied by the IGRA Auditor for the file. If the transgender contestant is in the process of changing their gender, they must provide the IGRA Auditor adequate documentation, such as recommended by the "Harry Benjamin International Gender Dysphoria Association" showing they are in the process.

#### Mandatory new contestants meeting

A mandatory meeting and roll call for new contestants will be held before the start of the rodeo. All new contestants will be notified of the meeting and the requirement of disqualification for failure to attend.

Please note that the rule changes listed above are only part of the rule changes and are only parts of some rule changes that go on for pages.

#### All the new Rules will take effect November 1, 2002

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**Team  
G.S.G.R.A.**

From the perspective of a first time convention participant, there is so much going on!

The "Convention" started Thurs. evening at the bars. People were already discussing what they thought was going to happen, what they thought should happen, and what they wanted to happen.

Friday all day is committee meetings, I was the new guy so I did much of the "bouncing" around. I sat in on Bylaws Committee, and Rodeo Rules. Those are the all day meetings where so much seems to get discussed. Our group had a person in each of those all day. When I was not relieving or sitting in as an extra there, I went to some of the smaller committee meetings. It is amazing how so many people come together and work away the weekend to get things done.

weekend to get things done.

Saturday is when the committee work gets voted on, and *everybody* that has a comment seems to speak up! It was a very interesting day, to learn some history of IGRA and to get insight as to all of the different opinions from across the country.

Sunday we go back and finish the Convention and then have an awards luncheon.

Be careful there are spies watching your every move! Don't do anything you might be embarrassed of! They will put the worst light on it and announce it to the assembly!

The end of the convention is then a "Good-bye party" where you tell all your new friends bye till the next rodeo, and your still discussing convention business! It never ends!

Well, I had a great time and learned a lot about how this organization works. I will be there next year as a participant or just an onlooker.

Greg Garcia

**Team  
G.S.G.R.A.**

I attended the IGRA Convention in Cleveland as a delegate for GSGRA at the end of July. It was the 5th convention I had attended and the smoothest.

The first session I attended was the Corporate Sponsorship Committee. We discussed various techniques of getting the most of our sponsor relationships. Keeping the relationship active all year around was the theme. Work with your Bud Light Distributor often and send announcements to keep them up-to-date and aware what you are doing for them all year around.

I chaired the PR/Marketing Committee meeting. The main points we discussed were identifying the 5 P's of Marketing as

they pertain to Rodeos/Associations/ Chapters. Product, Price, Place, Promotion and Packaging. I again stressed the importance of knowing our Product...what are we selling? Western Heritage? Dancing? Socialization? Romance? Do we sell our rodeo differently from the way we sell the year round experience of the Chapter/Association. We did this for all of the P's and shared techniques used around the country.

I then attended the IGRA University Committee meeting. During the meeting we discussed last year's experience and plans for this year. The first University was held in Reno, then Omaha and has now found a permanent home at the Budweiser Learning Facility in St. Louis. It will be held again this year on President's weekend. There will be a Royalty Track and a Rodeo Director track. I would encourage folks to attend University if they are looking for some serious training on Rodeo Production or Royalty competition

The action on convention floor was pretty tame this year. The new changes to horse stall fees was a great example of how we listened with an open mind to what seemed at first to me, a crazy idea! Phil had attended the committee meetings and shared with the delegation the logic behind the change and it changed my mind. In the end our delegation supported the change.

At the end of the convention I was once again recharged and revitalized.

If anyone out there in "GSGRA land" would like to discuss convention in more detail, please drop me an email at dgraff01@hotmail.com.

Thanks,  
Douglas Graff  
GSGRA Delegate

**Team  
G.S.G.R.A.**





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## 2002 MEETING SCHEDULE

BE SURE TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE NEXT MEETINGS OF THE GREATER SAN DIEGO CHAPTER.

SEPTEMBER 3, 2002—GENERAL MEMBERSHIP 7PM  
SEPTEMBER 10, 2002—RODEO ROUNDTABLE 7PM  
SEPTEMBER 17, 2002—RODEO ROUNDTABLE 7PM  
OCTOBER 1, 2002—GENERAL MEMBERSHIP 7PM  
OCTOBER 15, 2002—RODEO ROUNDTABLE 7PM

ALL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT TWIGG'S COFFEESHOP,  
EXCEPT 9/17, WHICH WILL BE AT THE HOST HOTEL



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## CHAPTER EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 5TH ..... PRE-RODEO VOLUNTEER  
APPRECIATION PARTY &  
MEMBERSHIP DRIVE @  
KICKERS

SEPTEMBER 8TH ..... SD RODEO KICK-OFF  
PARTY @ RAWHIDE BAR  
IN WEST HOLLYWOOD

SEPTEMBER 14TH..... LOCAL PUB CRAWL  
STARTING @ KICKERS

SEPTEMBER 19TH..... 2002 RODEO STARTS!!!



## WIN A WEEKEND TO THE SD RODEO

TAKE A BREAK FROM THE DANCE FLOOR ON FRIDAY NIGHT AND JOIN US AT DIAMOND SPUR, AN 1800'S STYLE WESTERN CASINO. IN ORDER TO MAKE THE EVENT AN EVEN GREATER SUCCESS THAN LAST YEAR, YOU CAN HELP US WHILE HELPING YOURSELF. BELOW YOU WILL FIND INFORMATION REGARDING PRE-TICKET SALES AND INCENTIVES PROVIDED TO YOU FOR MAKING THOSE ADVANCED SALES.

TOPAZ SPUR PARTNER (10 TICKETS)  
ONE ENTRY TO DIAMOND SPUR CASINO NIGHT

EMERALD SPUR PARTNER (25 TICKETS)  
TWO ENTRIES TO DIAMOND SPUR CASINO NIGHT

RUBY SPUR PARTNER (50 TICKETS)  
WEEKEND PASS TO SAN DIEGO RODEO FESTIVITIES

SAPPHIRE SPUR PARTNER (100 TICKETS)  
TWO ENTRIES TO DIAMOND SPUR CASINO NIGHT  
DINNER FOR TWO AT HOTEL PRIOR TO DIAMOND SPUR CASINO NIGHT

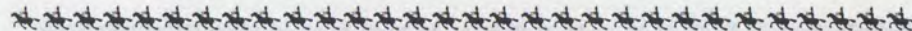
DIAMOND SPUR PARTNER (400 TICKETS)  
TWO ENTRIES TO DIAMOND SPUR CASINO NIGHT  
DINNER FOR TWO AT HOTEL PRIOR TO DIAMOND SPUR CASINO NIGHT  
TWO NIGHTS AT HOTEL (FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHT)



FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT SY IVERSON @ 619.287.4106 OR  
DESIGNAGOGO@AOL.COM

## VENDORS WANTED

IF YOU OR ANYONE YOU KNOW IS INTERESTED IN RENTING VENDOR SPACE AT THE RODEO FESTIVAL, PLEASE CONTACT  
NATE KLUHSMAN: 619.987.8795 OR  
EMAIL: BOATBROKEN@COX.NET







## BOOTS & BRIEFS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2002 8:00 PM  
RADISSON HOTEL

THE BOOTS & BRIEFS CONTEST KICKS OFF OUR RODEO EVENTS ON THURSDAY NIGHT. YOU NEED TO ATTEND THIS EVENT! UP TO 15 MALE & FEMALE CONTESTANTS ARE FIRST INTRODUCED IN THEIR "ROUGH STOCK" OUTFITS, THEN LATER WEARING ONLY THEIR "BOOTS & BRIEFS". THIS UNDERWEAR PARTY TURNS INTO A FUN AUCTION OF THE BRIEFS TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER. THIS IS ALL IN FUN, AND THE GUY AND GAL WHO RECEIVE THE HIGHEST BID FOR THEIR BRIEFS IS REWARDED WITH AN OFFICIAL RODEO 2002 BUCKLE FOR THEIR HARD WORK. IF INTERESTED IN COMPETING, PLEASE CONTACT: ROBERTO ROMERO, 619.888.2408



## "TWIST & SHOUT" DANCE CONTEST



THE GREATER SAN DIEGO CHAPTER OF THE GOLDEN STATE GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION WILL BE HOSTING THE 10TH ANNUAL "TWIST AND SHOUT" DANCE CONTEST AT THE SAN DIEGO RODEO 2002.

THE CONTEST WILL BE HELD AT THE RADISSON HOTEL SAN DIEGO - MISSION VALLEY ON SATURDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 21, 2002 FROM 7:00 - 8:30 P.M. WITH A COUPLES' AND PRO-AM'S CONTESTANT MEETING AT 6:30 P.M. THERE WILL BE THREE CATEGORIES OF COMPETITION OFFERED THIS YEAR: COUPLES, PRO-AM, AND LINE DANCE.

PRE-REGISTRATION IS SUGGESTED FOR COUPLE'S AND PRO-AM COMPETITION. YOU MAY SIGN UP THE NIGHT OF THE CONTEST FOR THE LINE DANCE COMPETITION.

PLEASE LEND YOUR SUPPORT BY COMING ON DOWN TO WATCH OR EVEN PARTICIPATE IN THE "TWIST AND SHOUT" DANCE CONTEST.

LET'S MAKE THIS A SPECTACULAR RODEO EVENT!

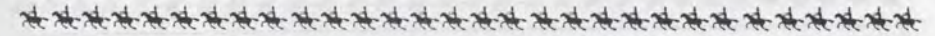
FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT PAUL S. CASEY (CONTEST DIRECTOR) AT (619) 293-0705 OR 2.STEPPE@COX.NET

SEE Y'ALL AT THE RODEO AND KEEP ON DANCIN'!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THIS YEAR'S BENEFICIARY OF RODEO WEEKEND WILL BE*

AUNTIE HELEN'S  
THRIFT SHOP & LAUNDRY SERVICE



FRIDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 20, 2002

12:30 PM - 6:00 PM



WATER  
VOLLEYBALL  
12:30

POOL  
GAMES  
1:30

## POOL PARTY

Radisson Hotel Pool



ESTHER WILLIAMS RELAY RACE, OTHER GAMES

LOTS OF FUN & PRIZES

## THANK YOU

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ROBERT K. ROBERTO, TODD G & ROY, NATE, JIM G., JAMES M. & BRIAN, SY, MS. BEDD, ROBERT V., JJ, KEN V., ETAI, & THE KICKERS CLOGGERS FOR MAKING THE CASINO NIGHT FUND RAISER AT KICKERS A HUGE SUCCESS! WE GROSSED OVER \$900 AND WAS A GREAT TEAM EFFORT ALL. A LOT OF FACES, OLD & NEW SHOWED UP AND EVERYONE LOOKED GREAT IN THEIR FORMAL WESTERN WEAR AND THE GAMBLING WAS FUN! AND THANKS TO THE GSGRA STATE BOARD MEMBERS FOR SPENDING THEIR MONEY!

A BIG THANKS ALSO GOES OUT TO LARRY G., ERYCK J., ROBERTO, ROBERT V., & ROBERT K. FOR MANNING THE PHONES IN THE KPBS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE!

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

WE CAN ALWAYS USE MORE PEOPLE TO VOLUNTEER FOR POSITIONS AT BOTH THE RODEO GROUNDS AND THE HOTEL.

POSITIONS INCLUDE: DIAMOND SPUR CASINO NIGHT CREW, CONTESTANT REGISTRATION, VOLUNTEER CHECK-IN, TICKET SALES, DOOR CREW, SAFETY TEAM, ARENA CREW, & CHUTE CREW.

IF INTERESTED PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE: WWW.SANDIEGORODEO.COM, EMAIL: SD\_RODEEO\_VOLUNTEER@AOL.COM OR CALL THE RODEO HOTLINE: 619.298.4708

LOTS OF FUN & YOU GET FREE ADMISSION TO THE EVENT YOU WORK.

IT'S VOLUNTEERS THAT MAKE THE RODEO SUCH A GREAT EVENT!



## VOLUNTEER PARTY

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH, 2002  
6PM-11PM

### 1ST ANNUAL PRE-RODEO VOLUNTEER PARTY KICKERS/HAMBURGER MARY'S

ALL VOLUNTEERS (PAST & PRESENT), COORDINATORS, ENTERTAINERS & OFFICERS ARE INVITED TO COME EAT, DANCE & DRINK! FOOD WILL BE PROVIDED FROM 600-7:30

COME SEE SOME OLD & NEW RODEO FOLK, TALK ABOUT OLD TIMES AND MAKING NEW MEMORIES AT THIS UPCOMING RODEO.

BRING A FRIEND & GET HIM/HER TO VOLUNTEER!

## LIVERDANCE PUB CRAWL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2002



GSGRA-GSDC PRESENTS  
**LIVERDANCE, A LOCAL PUB CRAWL**



STARTS @ 7:15 AT KICKERS

A BUS TOUR OF LOCAL BARS SPREADING THE GOOD WORD  
ABOUT THE RODEO

BUS GAMES, SCAVENGER HUNT, DANCING AND PERHAPS EVEN  
A LITTLE DRINKING WILL BE ON TAP!

\$20 (INCLUDES A FREE DRINK AT LEAST 8 BARS)

*PROMISES TO BE A GREAT TIME!*

CALL ROBERT K. @ 619.977.9686 FOR MORE DETAILS, OR  
CALL JAMES G @ 619.807.1215 TO SIGN-UP FOR THE TRIP.



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## GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

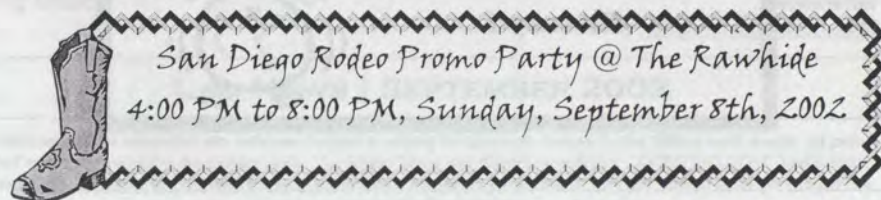
### Message from the President...

Well, the rodeo season (and the summer) just keeps moving along! I hope that everyone is making plans to attend the San Diego rodeo this month. The L.A. chapter will hold a "San Diego Rodeo promo" on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at the Rawhide bar in North Hollywood from 4pm to 8pm. The San Diego chapter will provide door prizes that we'll be giving away, and there will be a \$50 grand prize giveaway that will conclude the evening. This will \*not\* be a fundraiser, so no one will have to worry about selling tickets...the only work you'll have to do is to tell people how much fun they'll have in San Diego! So just plan on coming to the Rawhide on September 8 and having a good time with your rodeo friends.



Since I will now be attending State Board meetings as L.A. Chapter president, and since I believe we need as much diversity as possible when conducting rodeo business, I plan to step down from my position as a state representative. This will allow Bob Buenfil the opportunity to move back up into this position, where he has demonstrated an ability to do great work on our behalf. Bill Paige will move up to 1st alternate, and we will hold an election at our October chapter meeting to elect a new 2nd alternate. If you are interested in this position, or would like to nominate someone, please contact our Nominations chair Keith Arruda at "[secretary@larodeo.com](mailto:secretary@larodeo.com)".

I hope to see all of our L.A. members at our GLAC Board meeting in Long Beach on September 7, at the San Diego Rodeo promo at the Rawhide on the 8th, and then in San Diego the weekend of the 20th! *All the best, Larry*



*San Diego Rodeo Promo Party @ The Rawhide  
4:00 PM to 8:00 PM, Sunday, September 8th, 2002*

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**LA Gals Get to Work!**

*The Road To Equine Wellness...*

GSGRA members Christy Cotton and Belinda Merritt have joined a small but growing number of people trained on the use of the Equine Therascope 100. The Therascope is a revolutionary drug-free treatment for pain and lameness that utilizes microcurrent electrical stimulation to trigger several healing mechanisms in the body and has been scientifically proven to accelerate the body's own natural self-healing process.

Nowadays, more and more horse owners are looking beyond conventional medicine and seeking alternative, non-invasive therapy care options. We often work in cooperation with equine veterinarians to augment traditional procedures with microstimulation therapy as an aid to bringing our equine partners back to peak performance condition.



Treatment is not limited to specific injury points and has been proven effective for pre-event, post-performance, and full body wellness. For additional information or to inquire about treatments, contact Belinda or Christy at 818-951-3507 or e-mail them at:

ShadowHeartsEquineTherapy@attbi.com.

**Good news for late risers!**

**Beginning with the October 2002 Chapter Meeting at the Long Beach Center, all meetings will begin at 11:00 AM (instead of 10 AM)...**

**Hooray!!**



**And Don't Forget...**

We are currently seeking an Events Chair and one Alternate State Board Representative. If you are interested in being more involved in anything chapter or rodeo related, please don't miss our upcoming meetings:

**September 7th**

**10 AM Board Meeting**



The Long Beach Gay & Lesbian Center  
2017 East 4th Street, Long Beach

**October 5th**

**Pancake**



**Breakfast Fundraiser at**

**The Porch Café**

2708 E. 4th Street  
Long Beach, CA 90814  
(562) 433-0118

**And**

**11 AM Chapter Meeting**

The Long Beach Gay and Lesbian Center  
2017 East 4th Street,  
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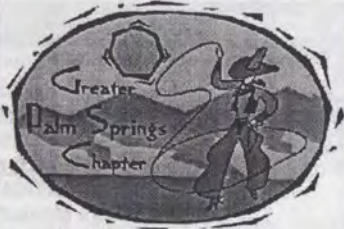
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### NEXT CHAPTER MEETING

SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>  
2:00 P.M.  
DESERT PALMS INN  
CATHEDRAL CITY

Hey Y'all,

I would like to start out by saying that we hate to see John Johnson leave as President of the chapter but we know he has other endeavors. Good luck John you will be missed.

As your new President I would like to welcome our new Board Members, Scott Pulatie as Vice President of Administration and taking back the Entertainment Chair. Judy Galloway as Vice President of Rodeo Operations. Rusty Hooper as Advertisement Chair.

We would like to thank the Desert Palms Inn for hosting the July fundraiser and helping us get through. Thanks to all the Entertainers and Volunteers that helped pull it off.

Our next chapter meeting will be September 8, 2002 at the Desert Palms Inn. Board Meeting will be at 2:00pm and General Membership at 3:00pm. Hope to see you there.

Sylvia Mower, President

Hello Everybody

Just a quick note to say hi. I just wanted to say that as Vice President of Administration and Entertainment Chair that I look forward to hosting some fun events that aren't just about raising money for the chapter but instead raising funds for our charities and having fun. Getting back to what Rodeo and Country/Western lifestyle is all about having fun and being a family.

I would like to invite entertainers from other chapters to contact me and let me know if you are interested in performing at any of our events. I do know that it is hard to travel when you are not getting paid for this but if you are close enough during one of our events. I do know that it is hard to travel when you are not getting paid for this but if you are close enough during one of our events please let me know. I would also like to welcome ideas from each and everyone of you for things that you would like to see as far as play days or parties lets get out and have fun. Thanks  
Scott Pulatie, VP of Administration

### **GRAND ENTRY at the SAN DIEGO RODEO**

CALL for all GPSC members to march in the Grand Entry Parade at the San Diego Rodeo. Be there for the line-up before noon.

### **PALM SPRINGS GAY PRIDE PARADE, November 2, 2002**

CALL for all GSGRA Members to help carry the 50 State Flags in the parade. Call Scott Pulatie @ 760-322-6224 and let us know you will carry 1-2 Flags and we will call you back to let you know when and where to fall in.

### **STAR MEMBER for September**

Our Chapter recognizes, Elodie Huttner, who tirelessly pursues and attains high competition standings again and again while participating in Rough Stock and Horse Events every month in the IGRA Rodeo Circuit all over the country. We are especially proud of Elodie, who is always there with a competitive spirit full of true grit and who is always winning her place among the best. A first round pick for IGRA Finals candidates, fursure. Elodie Huttner, COWGIRL UP!

### **BAR CRAWL**

Let's Party! Our Rodeo crowd is all about party time, rodeo style. Come and join a bunch of us Rodeo Rowdies for a Bar Crawl through Cathedral City and Palm Springs. It's a lot of fun running into friends all over town. What a riot. We'll start at Toucans at 8 o'clock. Saturday Night, 7 September, 2002 (Don't worry, there isn't a Rodeo to go to). We will all be wearing our western hats, boots and wranglers. You wear yours too and let us know you are there to join the Rodeo Group. Here is the order of our tour: Toucans, Ground Zero, Sidewinders, Sisters, DP, Wolfs, Head Hunters, Badlands, then back to Toucans.

The party doesn't stop there, but we will take a break until we meet up the next morning for a Sunday Brunch at Desert Palms Inn at 12:00 A.M. The first item to order is a Bloody Mary (seated or not). Please call our HOTLINE before 9:00 a.m. to let us know you'll be joining us - so I can make reservations. Even if you can't play on Saturday night, still join us on Sunday. Please call Scott Pulatie at 760-322-6224 if you have any questions regarding our Saturday Night Bar Crawl or our DP Sunday Brunch.

The Greater Palm Spring Rodeo Chapter does not condone Drinking and Driving.

We always have a Designated Driver and suggest you do the same or take a taxi!

### **COMING SOON!!!!!!**

**Greater Palm Springs Chapter of GSGRA Presents  
COWBOY BBQ & DANCE COUNTY FORMAL  
"TEXAS STYLE"**

7:30 pm - MIDNIGHT SATURDAY

DATE TO BE DETERMINED

AT THE DESERT PALMS INN

LIVE COUNTRY BAND ENTERTAINMENT

DJ COUNTRY DANCE MUSIC

\$10 DONATION AT THE DOOR (WESTERN FORMAL DRESS REQUIRED)

A Benefit for Shelter from the Storm



# Bay Area News



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## Letter from the President

I would like to start off by saying how excited and proud I am to have been elected President of the Bay Area Chapter for 2002-2003!! I would also like to congratulate Jim Hauck, VP Admin, Kristi Lee Eifert, VP Rodeo Ops, Chris Caufield, Treasurer, and Larry Rhodes, Secretary for their newly appointed positions. I'm more than confident that this executive board will meet each challenge with vigor and grace. I would also like to take this time to thank last year's executive board. Jabby, John, Chris, Allen and Craig...what can I say? You are a great set of leaders who managed to keep the chapter on course; never forgetting that we are a group of volunteers. Again, my profound thanks. To Jabby and John, I wish you the best of luck in your state positions. And since there seems to be a "theme" of congratulations and thanks going on here, I'd like to

congratulate Craig Rouse on his recent win as I.G.R.A. President. (Is it okay to say that I feel just a "tad" bit of pressure knowing that the State AND International Presidents are in my back yard? Yikes!)

I'd also like to thank all the volunteers who helped make the Dore Alley Street Fair such a huge success for us. We ROCKED!!

And lastly, I'd like to let the chapter members know that the new executive board is eager to start working, never forgetting to keep things FUN!! Our past and current royalty appear to be totally geared up for this coming year, and I can only wait anxiously to see what they have in store for us. Bring it on.

**Adrian Arteche**

*BAC President*

**NOTICE: We will be electing a new State Board Rep at our next meeting.**

## Next Chapter Meeting

**Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00 PM**

**Kristi Lee's Home**

1395 Peralta Road  
Pacifica, CA

*Potluck Dinner @ 6:00 pm  
Bring Something for the BBQ!*

## Western Warehouse

In Milpitas offers a

**10% Discount**

*when you present your  
GSGRA membership card*

## Dore Alley Street Fair

The Bay Area Chapter had a wildly successful showing at this year's Dore Alley Street Fair in San Francisco. Dore Alley is a smaller version of the Folsom Street Fair, which is the weekend after the San Diego Rodeo. Sincere thanks must be extended to each and every volunteer, especially those people who were not even chapter members. It was great to see non-chapter members step up to the plate and help out for such a busy event. I would also like to extend special thanks to Ms. GSGRA Deana Dawn and Miss Bay Area Chapter Sofonda Boyz. The two of you were DEFINITELY crowd pleasers. The final note of thanks must go to our current Mr. Bay Area Chapter Eric Hanson. Eric, without you, that Sunday would have been a disaster. I truly hope you know how grateful I was for your help! Phillip, thanks for helping, even though you ended up in the emergency room for the majority day!! Here's wishing you a speedy recovery. Hopefully the chapter will also be sponsoring a beer booth for the Folsom Street Fair, so please sign up to volunteer when the time comes. If you worked Folsom last year, you'll remember that it was a lot of work, but a TON of fun!

**Adrian Arteche**

*Dore Alley Coordinator*



*Miss SoFonda Boyz Shows Who's In Charge*



*Mr. BAC '02, Chuck, & Steve Get The Day Started*

Western Wear & Tac  
**Winner's Circle**  
in Antioch—18<sup>th</sup> and A

10% Discount  
with your GSGRA card.

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GSGRA Balance Sheet as of July 31, 2002

ASSETS

Checking/Savings	
General Operating Accounts	4,914.65
GSGRA Rodeo Reserve	1,895.80
Memorial Accounts	1,375.49
Total Checking/Savings	<u>8,185.94</u>
Due From Bay Area Chapter	4,266.58
Due From Greater Los Angeles	1,950.00
Greater Palm Springs	37,563.75
Total Accounts Receivable	<u>43,780.33</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>51,966.27</u>
Depreciable Assets	924.00
Total Other Assets	<u>924.00</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u><u>52,890.27</u></u></b>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Opening Bal Equity	43,878.75
Retained Earnings	5,566.36
Net Income	3,445.16
Total Equity	<u>52,890.27</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b><u><u>52,890.27</u></u></b>

Revenue v Expences and Budget

Ordinary Income/Expense		Mar '02	Budget	\$ Over
		Thru Feb 03		Budget
Income	Dance Contest	0.00	350.00	-350.00
	Donations	1,000.00	100.00	900.00
	Interest Income	28.66	250.00	-221.34
	Membership Income	6,721.00	15,000.00	-8,279.00
	State Convention	1,360.00	1,500.00	-140.00
Total Income		<u>9,109.66</u>	<u>17,200.00</u>	<u>-8,090.34</u>
Expense	Buckle Sponsorships	400.00	600.00	-200.00
	Dance Contest Exp	0.00	350.00	-350.00
	Education	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
	General Admin	1,093.96	4,085.00	-2,991.04
	IGRA Convention	1,080.00	1,500.00	-420.00
	Membership	4,509.29	6,065.00	-1,555.71
	Mr Ms Miss	101.75	1,000.00	-898.25
	Professional Fees	0.00	800.00	-800.00
	State Convention Exp	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
	Taxes	1,300.00	800.00	500.00
Total Expense		<u>8,485.00</u>	<u>17,200.00</u>	<u>-8,715.00</u>
Net Ordinary Income		624.66	0.00	624.66
	DW Memorial Fund	560.00	500.00	60.00
	Reserve Funds	1,260.50	1,500.00	-239.50
Total Other Income		<u>1,820.50</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>-179.50</u>
	DWMF Contestant Exp	0.00	700.00	-700.00
Total Other Expense		<u>0.00</u>	<u>700.00</u>	<u>-700.00</u>
Net Other Income		<u>1,820.50</u>	<u>1,300.00</u>	<u>520.50</u>
Net Income		<u><u>2,445.16</u></u>	<u><u>1,300.00</u></u>	<u><u>1,145.16</u></u>