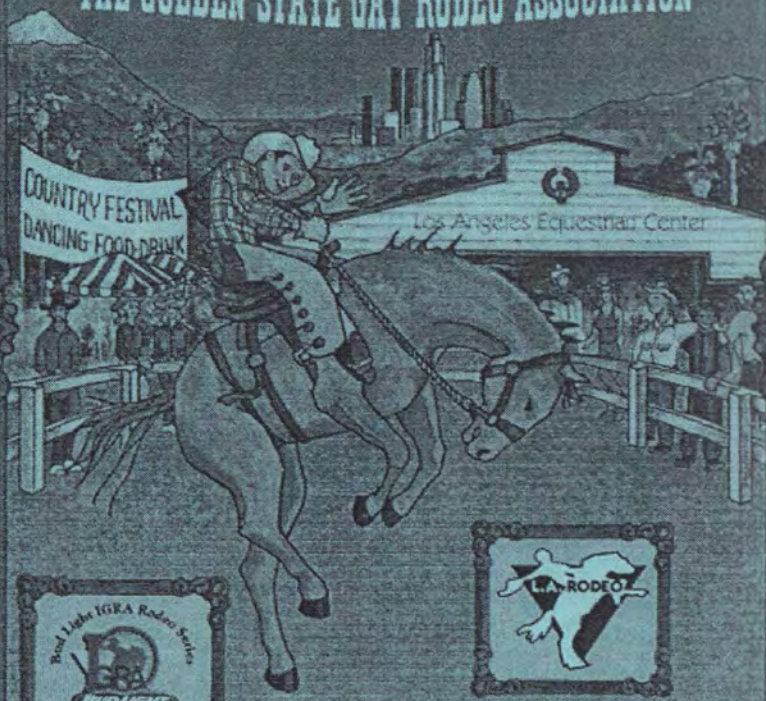


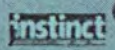


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## For the year 2003

San Diego Rodeo  
San Diego  
September 26-28, 2003



L.A. Rodeo  
Los Angeles  
April 11-13, 2003

Bay Area Rodeo  
San Jose  
June 20-22, 2003



# The Chute

March 2003

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

## From the Desk of The Prez!

*Howdy*, First, a huge thanks to the GLAC for hosting the February state board meeting. I think they set a new standard! Awesome job! The CA rodeo season is coming on fast. Personally, I can't wait. It never seems like the year is really underway until I attend the LA Rodeo. I guess it has something to do with a consistently fine production.

At the board meeting plans were unveiled for the annual convention in May. It looks like we're going to have a really great time in Palm Springs. Flyers for the host hotel are available in the GSGRA Members Yahoo E-Group, or you can contact your local chapter leadership or the Palm Springs chapter. I hope everyone will try to attend.

Nominations are open  
For state officers

For next year. Please  
look for the announcement  
in the Chute.

Also, it'll soon  
be time to staff  
next year's

committees. Think about joining

one of the state-wide committees. Finally, nominations are also underway for the IGRA convention delegates. Please contact your local chapter leadership for additional details or any of the state officers.

See you at the rodeo, *Jabby*

## NOMINATIONS FOR STATE OFFICES DUE MARCH 15

Our annual election of GSGRA officers takes place at the State Convention on May 3-4, and the nominations process is under way. Now is the time to start thinking about who you might want to see run for one of the Executive Board positions -- including yourself!

At the May election, we'll vote on the offices of GSGRA president, administrative vice president, vice president of rodeo operations, treasurer and secretary. Nominees must have joined GSGRA prior to May 3, 2002, and must have been a member in good standing for a minimum of one continuous year prior to the election date.

To nominate a person for one of the offices, contact state nominations chair David Medzerian (medzerian@aol.com; 562 436-1810), or contact your chapter's nominations committee represen-

tative: Bay Area - Adrian Arteche, Greater L. A. - David, Greater Palm Springs - Sylvia Mower, Greater San Diego - J.J. Jennings. The committee will compile the list of those who accept nominations and publish the information in the April and May issues of the Chute. Additional nominations can also be made at the election meeting in May.

Nominations are due to the committee by March 15, in order to make the Chute publication deadlines.

## Trustee Report

**Rodeo Dates Change:** San Diego Rodeo date change to September 26-28, 2003.

TGRA - Austin, September 5-7, 2003. New Rodeo this year.

**Sponsorship:** IGRA signed contracts with Bicarrdi Silver, American Airlines, Elbow Grease and Instinct. What we get from: Bicarrdi \$750 cash, 2 "Best All-around Camp Buckles", 10 cases of product, and Banners. Elbow Grease

\$500 cash, Up to 150 trash cans and liners, Up to four cases of "product samples", Gift bags - number to be

determined by association and Elbow Grease, and 2 Elbow grease gift baskets for use in raffles/giveaways. Instinct IGRA gets 1/2 page full color ad in each addition of the magazine to promote the rodeos. Association keeps \$5 of every \$15 one-year subscription sold during rodeo subscription campaign. American Airlines Travel Discounts, 1 Free ticket per rodeo and Commission on ticket sales. To use the American Airlines program and get 5%-10% off call 800-433-1790 and give the new Star Number S16294 and the rodeo you are going to. On all other travel on American Airlines use the Business Extraa Corporate ID Number 538389. Please pass this number on to friends and family to use, as IGRA will benefit.

**LOGOS:** We must use 3 new logos now. Elbow Grease, Bicarrdi Silver and American Airlines. The new logs should be on he IGRA website soon. You can get American Airlines logos off there website www.aa.com search for logo. There is a new Pucker logo on the IGRA website. "Paint the town PUCKER".

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# Bay Area News



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## Letter From Your President

Well, for being such a short month, February sure was busy! First of all, I thought the State Board meeting in Los Angeles was pretty successful. I'd like to thank the Greater Los Angeles Chapter for hosting this meeting. Their playday in City of Industry, as well as all of the social functions, were all a big success. I hope several chapter members will be able to make the State Annual Meeting in Palm Springs this coming May. If you are interested in going, make sure to book early since there are several events going on that same weekend.

The next thing I'd like to do is give a great big THANK YOU to Anita Name, Miss Bay Area Rodeo 1<sup>st</sup> Runner-Up, for hosting a terrific fundraiser benefiting the chapter at Club Rendezvous. For those of you that were there, I think you'd agree with me that the evening turned out to

### Next Chapter Meeting Be Sure Not to Miss It!

Thursday, March 27th

Marlena's  
488 Hayes Street, SF  
7:00 pm

be quite "revealing"!! It sure was a night to remember! (I just hope none of the pictures ever surface).

February also found the Imperial Court Council of San Francisco electing a new Emperor and Empress. Election day in the city was quite an event. Not only was that weekend IGRA University, it was also IBR (International Bear Rendezvous) as well as Valentine's Day weekend! Needless to say, that was one busy weekend. At the time I'm writing this, we still don't know who has won the titles of Emperor and Empress. Regardless of who the winners are, I'm sure the chapter will look forward to working with the new reining Monarchs of the city.

One last reminder; our rodeo is now only three and a half months away! The Las Vegas and Los Angeles rodeos are also just around the corner, so I hope everyone is getting geared up for those events as well. Again, if anyone would like to help out on the rodeo committee, I'm sure Doug would love the help. It's not too late to get involved and help out for this year's rodeo.

Adrian Arteche  
BAC President

## SUNDANCE SALOON CHAPTER NIGHT

The Bay Area Chapter continues with Chapter Night at the Sundance Saloon on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Every Month!

Come at 6:00 pm for country dance lessons, stay all night for open dancing. Wear your Team GSGRA, BAC, or rodeo attire, and meet many other chapter members and friends.

### Sundance Saloon March 9th

550 Barnveld, San Francisco  
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## GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

### Sash Queen Dreams...

Announcing all new local GLAC royalty contest! These new royalty positions will help represent the Chapter at rodeos and chapter events throughout the rodeo year. The Greater Los Angeles Chapter of GSGRA will be accepting nominations for the all new GLAC Mr. Miss and Ms. Contest at the Thursday, April 10th, "Official Rodeo Kick-Off Party" at Oil Can Harry's and will receive their sashes at the hotel party at The Burbank Hilton on Friday night, April 11th, following contestant registration. Belt buckles to be awarded at the end of the year. Contestants need to be members of good standing of the GLAC. Any GLAC member wearing their GSGRA name tag will be allowed to vote. All voting members' names will be placed in a nightly drawing for a door prize. More information to follow. For additional information please contact:



Miss GSGRA 2003  
Helin Bedd  
[entertainment@larodeo.com](mailto:entertainment@larodeo.com)

### State Board Representative Elections March 29th

At the March 29<sup>th</sup> chapter meeting we will be electing the three State Board Representatives and the two State Board Representative Alternates. Nominations can be forwarded to GLAC's Nominations Chair, Keith Arruda, at [nominations@larodeo.com](mailto:nominations@larodeo.com). Nominations will also be accepted from the floor on the day of the meeting. Remember that a nominee must be a member in good standing and a member for one year prior to the date of the election.

The following individuals have been nominated for State Board Representatives:

- Phil L. – Declines
- Bob B. – Declines
- Lenore Mankoff – No Response
- Bill P. – Declines
- Greg G. – No Response

## GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER (Cont.)

...Elections (Cont.)

Don't forget GLAC's Annual Meeting of the Members, which will be held on Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, at The Center in Long Beach. On this date we will be electing the Executive Board Members for the 2003-2004 coming year. Nominations for President, Vice President of Administrations, Vice President of Rodeo Operations, Treasurer and Secretary are now open. Nominations can be forwarded to GLAC's Nominations Chair, Keith Arruda, at [nominations@larodeo.com](mailto:nominations@larodeo.com). Nominations will also be accepted from the floor on the day of the meeting. Remember that a nominee must be a member in good standing and a member for one year prior to the date of the election. If you ever wanted to get more involved with this great chapter of ours here's your chance.

### Education Day a Success!

I would like to thank everyone who helped and participated in the GLAC Rodeo Education Day on Feb. 9th at the Industry Hills Equestrian Center. This event turned out to be a smash. We obtained new members; new volunteers, new officials, new contestants and all had a great time. If you missed this event I am sure you will hear about it from others who attended. Since this event was so successful we are planning another. Keep reading your chute for further details..

*Roz Campbell & The Education Committee*

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**CEO10173 Sunnie Rose <http://www.sunwolffarms.com>**



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And Don't Forget...

If you are interested in being more involved in anything chapter or rodeo related, please don't miss our upcoming meetings:

**March 1, 2003: 10 a.m.**  
**Chapter Meeting**  
Los Angeles Equestrian Center

**March 8, 2003: 8 p.m.-Midnight**  
**FUNdraiser at Hamburger Mary's**

**March 15, 2003: 8 p.m.-Midnight**  
**FUNdraiser at Kickers**

**March 22, 2003: 8 p.m.-Midnight**  
**FUNdraiser at Piston's**

**March 26, 2003: 8 p.m.-Midnight**  
**FUNdraiser at Fire Island**

**March 29, 2003: 10 a.m.**  
**Chapter Meeting**  
Los Angeles Equestrian Center

**April 11-13, 2003: L.A. Rodeo**  
Los Angeles Equestrian Center



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**G.S.G.R.A. Inc**  
**Revenues Expenses**  
**and Budget Comparison**

	Mar '02 Feb 03	Budget	Over Budget
Income/Exp			
Income			
Dance Contest	0.00	350.00	-350.00
Donations	1,000.00	100.00	900.00
IGRA Conv	0.00	0.00	0.00
Merch Sale	36.00	0.00	36.00
State Conv	1,281.38	1,500.00	-218.62
Earned rev	11,570.49	15,250.00	-3,679.51
Total Income	13,887.87	17,200.00	-3,312.13
Expense			
Buckle S'ships	400.00	600.00	-200.00
Dance Exp	0.00	350.00	-350.00
Education	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
General Admin	2,336.99	3,685.00	-1,348.01
IGRA Conv Exp	0.00	0.00	0.00
Membership	5,780.52	6,065.00	-284.48
Merchandise	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mr Ms Miss	222.54	1,000.00	-777.46
Prof Fees	550.00	800.00	-250.00
State Conv Exp	823.92	1,000.00	-176.08
Taxes	1,526.73	800.00	726.73
Non-pers exp	537.31	400.00	137.31
Travel/meet exp	1,080.00	1,500.00	-420.00
Total Expense	13,258.01	17,200.00	-3,941.99
Net Ordinary Inc	629.86	0.00	629.86
Other Inc/Exp			
Other Income			
DWM Fund	960.00	500.00	460.00
Reserve Funds	3,484.50	1,500.00	1,984.50
Total Other Inc	4,444.50	2,000.00	2,444.50
Other Expense			
DWMF Exp	0.00	700.00	-700.00
Total Other Exp	0.00	700.00	-700.00
Net Other Inc	4,444.50	1,300.00	3,144.50
Net Income	5,074.36	1,300.00	3,774.36

**Balance Sheet**  
**as of February 2003**

ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Cash in bank	1,462.04
Savings	9,137.91
Total	10,599.95
A/R	
A/R	4,916.58
Doubtful A/R	37,358.94
Total A/R	42,275.52
Other Assets	
Prepaid exp	720.00
Total	720.00
Total Current Assets	53,595.47
Fixed Assets	
Accum deprec	924.00
Total Fixed Assets	924.00
TOTAL ASSETS	54,519.47
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	43,878.75
Unrestrict	5,566.36
Net Income	5,074.36
Total Equity	54,519.47
TOTAL	54,519.47

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2003**

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Austin, Texas  
November 8-10, 2002

Road Runner Regional Rodeo  
Phoenix, Arizona  
January 17-19, 2003

Cowtown Rodeo  
Fort Worth, Texas  
March 28-30, 2003

Bighorn Rodeo  
Las Vegas, Nevada  
April 4-6, 2003

LA Rodeo  
Los Angeles, California  
April 11-13, 2003

Rodeo in the Rock  
Little Rock, Arkansas  
April 25-27, 2003

Great Plains Rodeo  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
May 23-25, 2003

Salt Lake City Rodeo  
Salt Lake City, Utah  
June 13-15, 2003

Bay Area Rodeo  
San Jose, California  
June 20-22, 2003

Canadian Rockies Intl Rodeo  
Calgary, Alberta  
June 27-29, 2003

Heartland Rodeo  
Omaha, Nebraska  
June 27-29, 2003

North Star Regional Rodeo  
Minneapolis/St Paul, Minnesota  
July 4-6, 2003

Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo  
Denver, Colorado  
July 11-13, 2003

19<sup>th</sup> Annual I.G.R.A. Convention  
Phoenix, Arizona  
July 31-August 3, 2003

International Dance Competition  
Phoenix, Arizona  
August 2, 2003

\* Zia Regional Rodeo  
Albuquerque, New Mexico  
August 8-10, 2003

Windy City Rodeo  
Chicago, Illinois  
August 22-24, 2003

MGRA Show Me State Rodeo  
Kansas City, Kansas  
August 29-31, 2003

\* Atlantic Stampede 2003  
Washington, DC  
September 5-7, 2003

\* Capital City Rodeo-TGRA's 20th  
Austin, Texas  
September 5-7, 2003

\* San Diego Rodeo  
San Diego, California  
September 19-21, 2003

17<sup>th</sup> Annual IGRA Finals Rodeo  
Tulsa, Oklahoma  
October 24-26, 2003



The above is believed to be accurate, however, we urge you to contact the local producing Association or

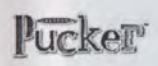
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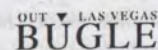


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# RODEO SD SENTINEL

## 2003



### A Word From Your Membership Chair

Hey gang. Your friendly neighborhood Membership Chair here. Just wonderin' how things are goin' along so far this year. My co-chair and I have been out and about in the community tryin' to take the pulse of the SD membership, but you guys and gals jus won't stand still long enough for us to get a good grip. Must think we have ulterior motives or some such nonsense. Well, okay, sure sometimes we do, we're only human, but that's another story for another time.

Anyhows, we had our first membership sponsored get together over at Patti's Front Office to watch the Super Bowl (pictured) Boy, does Patti and her crew know how to show a fella a good time! We was hootin' and hollerin' the whole time (well mainly when Jon Gruden was on the tube, but that's also another story). The barkeep kept servin' the drinks, while Patti slaved over a hot bbq to make sure we didn't



go hungry (or get too sloppy). Now that's what I call service! Thank you Patti. Soon after, we found ourselves lookin' over a number of fine @\$\$'s at our regular waterin' hole, Kicker's. Seems our fundraising team found a surefire way to get you folks to shake your cans. Boy was that a sight to see! Can't wait to see the hiney's that show up for this month's contest. Thanks to Clayton and the rest of the Kicker's staff for helping us get these folks to loosen up and shake their butts! Look for more rip-roarin' events comin' up. We've got trail rides, Hole-downs, and a host of other interesin' events happenin' in the next months. Everyone's welcome. If you haven't heard about any of these events, be sure to join our Yahoogroup ([gsggragsdc@yahoo.com](mailto:gsggragsdc@yahoo.com)). This group is open to all members, so sign up and stop missin' out on the fun. Remember, your membership only works as hard as you want it to, so put your membership to work and come on out and play. Who knows, maybe you'll even get your pulse taken.

### February State Board Meeting Notes

First off, I have to announce that Ed M., 1st Runner Up to Mr. GSGRA 2003 has resigned. Ed, personally, I'm sorry to see you go. You were a definite asset to the Royalty team in both 2002 and 2003. Hopefully, you'll remain involved in the Rodeo Association in other ways.

Al W., our fearless Trustee, announced that at the upcoming IGRA Board Meeting, they would be discussing and voting on a number of International Sponsorships. Among these sponsorships were Bacardi Silver, Elbow Grease, American Airlines, and Instinct Magazine. Since this meeting, each of these contracts has been approved. If you are interested in what this means for SD and GSGRA as a whole, contact one of your board memebers. Al also announced that the change of date for the San Diego Rodeo has been approved. Yea! Now we need to get out there to make sure that everyone on the circuit knows about the date change.

You will be glad to know that the San Diego Rodeo bid was accepted by the financial committee and passed by the Board. San Diego has been approved to have a rodeo in 2003. Again, Yea!

David M. is seeking nominations for the upcoming Executive Board elections. If you are interested, contact JJ. He is the committee member from SD. Nominations should be submitted by March 15th, and the elections will be held at our annual State Convention, May 3rd and 4th in Palm Springs. The requirements for nominees are that you must be a member of GSGRA in good standing for 1 year prior to the election, and you must accept the nomination either by attending the State Convention or by submitting an acceptance in writing.

Roger B. has been working tirelessly on revising our existing Bylaws. He handed out a copy of the bylaws with suggested changes. Many of these changes were voted on at this meeting, but many more will be addressed at the State Convention. If you are interested in seeing which changes were approved and which are pending, see one of your state reps for a copy.

Ken V. announce that there will be a dance contest in Palm Springs during Convention weekend. Of course, this depends on interest. If you would like to be a contestant please contact Ken V. at [kendance@cs.com](mailto:kendance@cs.com). You can also get information concerning the contest by going to [www.gsgra.org/events/dance](http://www.gsgra.org/events/dance).

Finally, I just want to thank GLAC, our hosts for this meeting. They put quite a weekend of events together for this state meeting. We had dancing at Oil Can Harry's on Friday night, dinner and dancing at Hamburger Mary's in Long Beach on Saturday, and to top it all off, they had a rodeo playday out in City of Industry on Sunday. What a weekend! Thanks guys, you did a terrific job as usual.



## Chapter and Rodeo Chair Positions

Well guys, it is already the end of February. Our rodeo is only 7 months away, and boy do we have a lot of work to do. I wish I could say that all of the chair positions are full, and we're moving full-speed ahead, but that just isn't the case. Here is a list of the positions that are filled and those that are still open. If you have any interest in helping someone who already took a chair position, or would be interested in holding one of these positions on your own, contact any of your executive board members, and they will help you get on track. We can't do this without you, and we would really rather do it with you, so come to a meeting and get involved!

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Membership Co-Chair	David N.	Hotel	Mike D.
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## Rodeo Hotel and Dates

Now's the time to get out there and book your room for the San Diego Rodeo. The Rodeo will be held the last weekend in September starting on Thursday the 25th and ending Sunday the 28th. Our host hotel is the Shelter Pointe Hotel and Marina on Shelter Island, with overflow being directed to the other three hotels on the Island, the Island Palms, Humphrey's Half Moon Bay, and the Bay Club. All reservations should be made through San Diego Concierge at 1-800-979-9091. SD Concierge will book you into the Shelter Pointe, if that is already full, they will automatically book you into the next hotel up the Island. Just be sure to mention GSGRA, SD Rodeo, the Rodeo, or some reference to rodeo to make sure you get the right room rate.



## 2003 Meeting Schedule

March 4, 2003—General Membership 7pm Twiggs Tea & Coffee  
March 18, 2003—Rodeo Roundtable 7pm Host Hotel, Shelter Pointe  
April 1, 2002—General Membership 7pm, Twiggs Tea & Coffee  
April 15, 2002—Rodeo Roundtable 7pm Twiggs Tea & Coffee



## Who has the Best @\$\$\$ in Denim?

GSGRA-GSDC is proud to present the Best @\$\$\$ in Denim Contest. The contest takes place at Kickers on the last Friday of every month. Winners will be invited back for a final contest sometime around the SD Rodeo Weekend. The evening includes a Rodeo Beer Bust and Country Night Dancing and Karaoke. Contest starts at 9:30pm. Come early to enter. This event is sponsored by Kickers/Hamburger Mary's, Digital Paradise Consulting, Condoms Now!, and American Male Studios.



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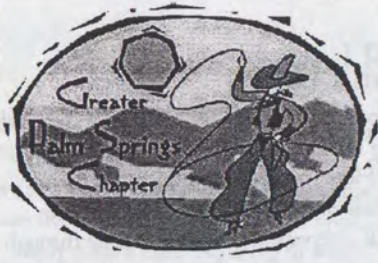
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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hey Ya'll,

Hope everyone is doing well and staying healthy with all this cold weather we are having.

We would like to thank the L.A. Chapter for hosting the State Board meeting and to Cody and his staff for a wonderful lunch. We had a great time at the Rodeo Play-Day and are looking forward to the next one.

Wanted to remind everyone to get their nominations in for the April elections which will be held April 2, 2003 at Ground Zero 36737 Cathedral Canyon Drive, Cathedral City, CA. 760-321-0031, meeting time will be 6:00PM, so please come join us so you can cast your votes.

Our next chapter meeting will be March 2, 2003 at The Lark, 917 Inland Center Drive, San Bernardino, Ca. 909-884-8770, starting time is 2:00PM.

State Convention is almost upon us, it will be hosted by the Villa's May 2-4, 2003 and all plans are finalized, so please make your reservations ASAP. You can find the information on the E-Groups website.

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The dance contest will be hosted by Ground Zero May 3, 2003 starting at 6:30PM. Those of you interested in competing please get your applications in soon.

We would like to put out a special thank-you to Jason & Eddie the owners of Toucan's for hosting our fundraiser and helping to make it a success. COWBOY UP!!!!!!!. Thank-you to all the entertainers and volunteers who helped us get thru the day.

Everyone have a great month and will see you in April.

Sylvia Mower, President

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATIONS

WANTED — GPSC MEMBERS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING IN A BOARD OF DIRECTORS POSITION!

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SECRETARY  
TREASURER

MAIL YOUR NOMINATIONS TO GPSC or E-MAIL THEM TO:  
[membership@gpscrodeo.org](mailto:membership@gpscrodeo.org).

The Deadline to accept mail in nominations is March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2003. After that date the person can be nominated at the meeting. However, nominees must be present to accept the nomination or have given written acceptance to the President or the Nominating Committee prior to the election Day.

### STAR OF THE MONTH

We would like to welcome to our chapter Flavia Krieg who is coming to us from AGRA Chapter. Flavia is an outstanding horsewoman and contestant. We Thank-you for choosing GPSC and hope to make you proud. COWGIRL UP !!!!!!!!

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# ROYALTY CORNER

THE LATEST NEWS FROM YOUR 2003 GSGRA ROYALTY TEAM

## University Weekend

Eric had the opportunity to join many other association royalty members for a fantastic weekend of Royalty sessions at IGRA University in St. Louis, MO this past month. The sessions were led by Tamara Marks, IGRA Vice President, with the help of Mr. IGRA David Westman, Miss IGRA Jeda McRae, and our own Ms. IGRA 1st Runner Up Deana Dawn. Tons of great new fundraising and community outreach ideas came out of these sessions and Eric is eager to bring many of those new ideas to light in the coming months. Stay tuned!



From IGRA University (left to right):  
Ms. TGRA Kacie, Miss MGRA Mandy, Mr. TGRA Curtis,  
Mr. DSRA Cody, Mr. ASGRA John, Eric, Mr. MGRA Steve

Of course, Royalty was just one of the many session tracks at University. It was great seeing such a strong GSGRA representation there this year and from what's been said, much was learned from every session. If you have any interest in rodeo production, association growth, fundraising, outreach, or royalty, you may want to think about making it to University next year. You won't regret it!

## Royalty Contestant Fund

Announced at IGRA University last month, there is a new "Royalty Contestant Fund" that has been created to offset some of the expenses incurred by royalty competing for

IGRA titles at finals. To help increase the money available in the fund, a new "sash fine" was implemented. If any of your royalty team is caught at a rodeo-related event (fundraiser, party, etc.) without their sash, they will be fined \$5. If any of the team appears at a sanctioned rodeo not wearing their sash, the fine will be \$25. Keep your eyes peeled and don't hesitate to call one of us on the "violation" if you catch us without a sash!

## Back Home...

In mid-February, Larry and Eric showed up for the LA Education Day in the City of Industry and had an absolute blast! After much needed education (thanks Christy, Travis, Drew, and Phill!) and several feeble attempts, Eric even started to get the hang of calf roping! Expect to see him competing in the arena in this event soon!

Valentine's weekend, Helin and Larry made it out to Palm Springs to support the chapter with their fundraising event. The previous week, Eric could be seen in San Francisco performing at a charity fundraiser hosted by Imperial Court candidate Angelica Deveroux. If you've got a fundraising or outreach event coming up in your area, please don't hesitate to let your royalty team know. We'd love to be there to support you!

**Helin Bed**  
Miss GSGRA 2003

**Eric Hanson**  
Mr. GSGRA 2003

**Larry G.**  
Mr. GSGRA 2003 1st Runner Up