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For the year 2003

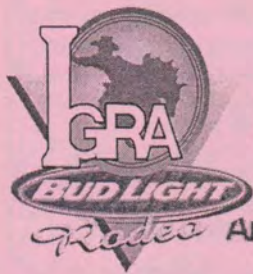
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August 2003

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

From the desk of..The Prez

Howdy all,

First, I really hate spell check sometimes. To clear things up, JJ signed up to be Sponsorship Committee Chair again. He didn't ride off into the sunset. Sorry for the confusion.

It's not too late to make it to the IGRA Convention in Phoenix on the first weekend of August. If you're interested in attending check out the AGRA's website for convention details. You can also find a copy of proposed bylaw and standing rules changes online in the GSGRA Yahoo E-Group.

The next GSGRA board meeting is in San Diego in mid-August. Everyone's always welcome so if you're in the area please drop in.

Following the board meeting there will be a discussion group for anyone interested in running for Mr./Mrs./Miss. GSGRA. If you're thinking of running for a royalty position in November this would be a valuable meeting to attend.

It's almost time for the final GSGRA rodeo of the year, that of course being San Diego. Start making those reservations now.

Committee chair positions are still open for a couple of committees, and there's always room on any of the committees for anyone that would like to be involved at the state level. Please let me know if you're interested.

All the best,
Jabby

EDUCATION:



One of GSGRA's objectives is to provide education and training in the production and participation in rodeo for the Gay and Non-Gay communities. Membership in IGRA, GSGRA and each chapter is falling. One idea is to improve education and training to bring up membership. We need all chapters and members to help us accomplish this goal.

To conduct education and training we need training aids. I as the State Education Chair would like to ask each and every member to promote education and rodeo. I enlist your help to find donation of training aids. This can accrue from you, other members you may know who have things they can donate and other people or

businesses who may have something to donate.

We are looking for donation of any kind: Books, videos, lesson plans, gear, and any training paraphernalia old or new. For donation a receipt will be given for tax purposes.

Please help GSGRA accomplish its goal of providing instruction and guidance to insure Gay Rodeo continues.

We will be starting our education at the August State Board meeting "How to obtain sponsorships" and following it up with "Conflicts of Interest an Ethical Approach to Obtaining Sponsorships at the November meeting. Everyone is invited to attend.

More on Education in next month's *Chute*.

Roz Campbell, Education Chair
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Bay Area News



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Letter From Your President

As timing would have it, this will be the last time I will be able to write to the chapter before the next annual meeting as President for the current year. Keeping that in mind, I thought I'd try to give a quick recap of my thoughts for this past year. First of all, I can't believe that an entire year has gone by! Whew! It's also amazing to see how much has been accomplished in just 12 short months!

One of the things that bring a smile to my face is knowing that I can think about everything that's happened this past year, and nothing but great thoughts come to mind! The year has been nothing but a succession of "moments" that I've been able to capture as wonderful memories. The awesome times we had at State Board meetings, the Sunday night of Awards Ceremony knowing that we collectively put on one hell of a rodeo, the tension of waiting to hear Eric's name being called as Mr. GSGRA, the camaraderie of all of us going to the Grand National's at the Cow Palace together, watching Doug's face as Jim and I decided to put the underwear on HIM instead of the goat, the look of pride on Craig, Jim, Vince, and Brad's face after decorating the ballroom for the rodeo. I could go on and on with memories such as these, but this would turn out to be a short novel.

I was also grateful when several chapter members stepped up to the plate and helped out when the help was really needed. I'd love to name everyone's name, but I'd never forgive myself if I happened to miss just one. You all know who you are, and my thanks and gratitude will always be with you. The great thing about this is that we've been able to build a strong chapter, and also have been able to create strong momentum for having an even better rodeo next year. It's amazing what teamwork can accomplish! I would also like to give a final "THANK YOU" to my Executive Board. I could not have done it without you. And Jim, thank you so much for your support. You'll never know how much I truly appreciated it.

In closing, it was my sincere honor and pleasure to have served the chapter as President for this past year. I learned more than I could have imagined, gained friends I will always cherish, and will never regret my time and effort that I have put in to such an outstanding organization. All of you should be proud to be members of such an organization which is envied by so many others. I am proud to call each and every one of you my friend.

Adrian Arteche
BAC President

BAC Annual Meeting

Thursday, August 14th

The Blue Muse

409 Gough Street, San Francisco

5:30 pm Cocktail • 6:00 pm Dinner • 7:00 pm Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Bay Area Chapter will be held on Thursday, August 14th at The Blue Muse in San Francisco. All current Bay Area Chapter members in good standing as of August 1, 2003 will have their dinner paid for by the chapter. Guests and non-affiliated members can purchase dinner for the meeting at \$25/head. Please RSVP before August 12th by sending a note (including choice of Salmon, Chicken, or Pork) to Jim Hauck (vpadmin@bayarearodeo.com).

The Nominations Committee is currently accepting nominations for the 2004 Executive Board. Please send make your nominations by sending a note to Frank Early (nominations@bayarearodeo.com).

Confirmed nominations as of July 21, 2003 are:

President: Adrian Arteche

VP Administration: Jim Hauck

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Be sure to mark your calendars for the next meetings of the Greater San Diego Chapter of GSGRA.

August 5, 2003—General Membership 7pm
August 19, 2003—Rodeo Roundtable 7pm
September 2, 2003—Rodeo Roundtable 7pm
September 9, 2003—Rodeo Roundtable 7pm
September 16, 2003—Rodeo Roundtable 7pm
September 23, 2003—Rodeo Roundtable 7pm

There will be NO General Membership meeting in September due to Rodeo preparations. Join us again on October 7th at 7pm for the next General Membership meeting.

All Meetings will be held at Twigg's CoffeeShop



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EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

SADDLE UP FOR A TRAIL RIDE

A trail ride has been planned for Sunday, August 10th. At 2pm, we will meet at the Park 'n' Ride on Adams in Kensington (just down the street from the Ken Cinema). We'll carpool out to the stables, and we should be saddled up and ready to go by 3pm. If you or anyone you know would like to join us for this 1 1/2 hour trail ride, please e-mail jimgear@yahoo.com to be added to the list. The cost is approximately \$37.50. Hope to see you there!

DIAMOND SPUR CASINO NIGHT



The Diamond Spur committee is working hard to give you a great event on Friday 9/26 at the Shelter Pointe Hotel and Marina. Come on down and hit the Roulette table, play some Black Jack, and try your hand at Craps, all to benefit the San Diego Rodeo. We plan on having some great prizes for you to bid on after you're done gaming the night away. Look for some fantastic entertainment on the same floor as the gaming.

BEST @\$\$ IN DENIM

The Fundraising Committee will be hosting the next Best @\$\$ in Denim Contest on Friday August 28th at 10pm at Kickers, 308 University Ave, San Diego. These events are proving to be very popular with both the rodeo and non-rodeo crowd. Come on down and get a good look at all those hot @\$\$es in denim, and support both GSGRA-GSDC and your local fundraising committee. Way to go Joe, Itai and the Best @\$\$ Crew. Girls and guys are both invited for this fun event.

STATE BOARD MEETING

On Saturday, August 16th and Sunday, August 17th, the San Diego Chapter of the Golden State Rodeo Association is proud to be the host for the GSGRA State Board Meeting. Members from all GSGRA Chapters are invited to attend. The meeting will be held at the Shelter Pointe Hotel and Marina, San Diego's new host hotel and (hopefully) home for the next few years. Lunch will be served in the park across the street from the hotel, overlooking the beautiful San Diego Bay. The Shelter Pointe Hotel and Marina is located at 1551 Shelter Island Drive, San Diego, CA 92106. For you San Diego Chapter members who have never attended a State Board Meeting, here's your chance to see what goes on in the rest of the State without the hassle of booking a hotel room. For more information, you can contact our State Board Representatives, Ed W. (ewallum@direcway.com), Kelly G. (kggill@cox.net), Ken V. (kendance@cs.com), and Todd G. (tagross@earthlink.net). Hope to see you all there.

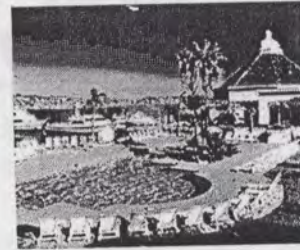
SD RODEO VOLUNTEERS

Now's the time to do what you've always wanted to do, but lacked the courage/chutzpah/gumption to do before—sign up to become a SD Rodeo Volunteer. Carlos M., our new Volunteer Coordinator, is looking for a whole lot of fine men and women to help make this, our 15th Annual SD Rodeo, a success. We can't do it without your help! Come on out and work a shift or two at the Rodeo Grounds in Del Mar on Saturday and Sunday, and alternate doing your job with ogling the cowboys and cowgirls. Or, work a shift at the Shelter Pointe Hotel and Marina during our evening dances and fundraisers where you can chat up these cowboys/cowgirls while selling them tickets or checking their id's (what a way to discover the name of the guy/girl you've always lusted after from afar). Volunteers receive great rewards, including free entrance into our events and official SD Rodeo Volunteer t-shirts. If you are interested and would like more information, contact Carlos at carlosmadrid@hotmail.com.

SHELTER POINTE HOTEL AND MARINA

SEPTEMBER 25TH THROUGH
SEPTEMBER 29TH

Now is the time to book your room for the
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Not only have we moved to a beautiful, luxury resort hotel, but we decided to get four of them, and an island to boot!

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GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

Way to go Team GLAC!



Let's hear it for LA Chapter member who took home Buckles at the Best Buck in the Bay, June 21 & 22!

Renee R. — Barrel Racing, Flag Racing, All Around Cowgirl

Chritsy C. — Pole Bending, All around cow-girl, 1st Runner-up

Erin L — Steer Riding, 4Th Runner-up to All Around Cowgirl

Cynbad — 2nd Runner-up to All around Cowgirl

Sherry L — Wild Drag Race

Phil L. — Calf Roping on foot, Flag Racing, Team Roping, 2nd Runner-up to All Around Cowboy

Drew O — Barrel Racing, Tem Roping, 4th Runner-up to All Around Cowboy

Kevin M. — Chute Dogging, Wild Drag Race, 3rd Runner-up to All Around Cowboy

Rodeo Night at Oil Can's

Let's keep country alive in L.A! The third Friday of each month is Rodeo Night. Come and join the dancing and carrying on at Oil Can Harry's in Studio City. GLAC chapter members get in free with your current membership card. Keep your eye out for special events in the coming months. Lets show our support for a great friend to Rodeo.

GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER (Cont.)

Message from The President...

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer!

Congratulations to Bay Area Chapter on a great rodeo...and don't those guys put on some great pool parties and dances? I always find them very entertaining, indeed.

As we look forward to San Diego rodeo this fall, I'd like to remind everyone to be sure to support the businesses that support us. Don't forget that the clubs around the area provide some of our best fundraising and publicity opportunities, and it's important that we remember them in these tight economic times. GLAC enjoys a good relationship, in particular, with Fire Island and Hamburger Mary's in Long Beach, Ozz in Buena Park, Oil Can Harry's in Studio City, and the Rawhide in North Hollywood. I hope that all GLAC members will visit these clubs whenever possible to thank them for promoting country!

Oil Can's, in particular, is a long-time supporter of rodeo, as Bob gives sponsorships totaling several thousand dollars each year to various GSGRA members. Friday nights at Oil Can's have been slower these days, and in an attempt to help "keep country popular", GLAC is working with Bob to "adopt" one Friday night each month at the club. We're still working out the details as of this writing, but look forward to "LA Rodeo Fridays" at Oil Can Harry's in the coming months!

Once again, I hope everyone is having a terrific and safe summer. I hope to see you all at our next Chapter meeting in L.A. on August 9th!

--Larry

GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER (Cont.)

Mark your Calendars...

August 9, 2003, 11:00 AM
GLAC Chapter Meeting
Plummer Park, W. Hollywood

August 9, 2003, 8:00 PM
Country Night At
Hamburger Mary's
740 E. Broadway, Long Beach
(562) 983-7001

August 15, 2003, 9:00 PM
Rodeo Night at Oil Can Harry's.
11502 Ventura Blvd., Studio City, CA
(818)760-9749

August 16, 2003
GSGRA State Board Meeting.
San Diego, CA

August 23 & 24, 2003, 8:00 PM
GLAC Five-n-Dime Store at
The Sunset Junction Street Fair
Silverlake, CA

Future Chapter Meetings
Sept. 13 (L.B.), Oct. 14 (L.B.)
Nov. 8 (L.A.), Dec 7 (Sunday) (L.A.)



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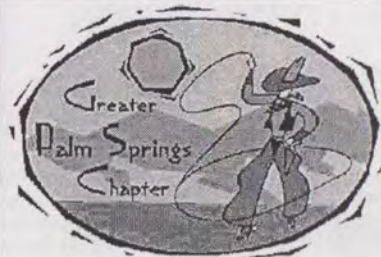
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hey Ya'll,

How is everyone's summer going? Been real hot and humid here but surviving.

Getting ready for the IGRA Convention which will be held in Phoenix this year. Judy Galloway and Rick Johnson will be attending so I know we will be getting lots of information back from them.

A big congratulations goes out to Dennis Jennings and Bill Glover our winners in the State Dance competition. They will be representing us in Phoenix for the National Dance Contest. Good Luck Boys and COWBOY UP !!!!!

Would like everyone one to keep Johnnie Yarbrough and Jack Cartwright in your prayers for a speedy recovery. They are both recuperating from being in the hospital.

I would like to extend the invitation again for anyone interested in joining us for the Pride parade to represent the chapters for GSGRA. If you are interested please feel free to email me at Guitartaz56@aol.com or call 760-880-2396. Would like to have as many people as possible. We will also be donating our time at the Pride Festival working the script booth and need volunteers to help out, if interested please let me know.

Would like to welcome our newest member to the chapter Sharon Ballardo.

Submissions to the newsletter are welcome (subject to editing for space or content) by the 10th of each month. All published materials, including the chapter logo, "LA Rodeo" logo and posters, newsletter, "LARODEO.COM" and website contents are Copyright © 1999 GSGRA-L.A., a California non-profit corporation. Any use without prior permission is a violation of copyright law.

Welcome aboard and COWGIRL UP !!!!!!!

Also September 27, 2003 Barracks and the Greater Palm Springs Chapter will be hosting the Mr. and Ms. Leather Cowboy and Cowgirl Contest if you would like to sign up you can get an application from the Barracks. Please come join us for this event it will be great.

Our next meeting will be at The Lark August 14, 2003 at 7:30PM so come on down and join us for some dancing and fun after the meeting.

Hope everyone has been receiving their training materials. Please read and take your quiz and get it back to Judy Galloway so that you can get your points and be awarded with your prize.

Will have more information for you next issue with all the interesting stuff from convention. Have a safe month and will talk to you soon.

Sincerely,
 Sylvia Mower
 President

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. Members agree that they have a commitment to the goals of the Association as stated in the bylaws. New members affirm that they have not been denied membership in any other I.G.R.A. Member or Recognized Association.

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IGRA Leather Jacket

Raffle Tickets are still for sale for the September Drawing. Only \$5.00 each.

For more information contact
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IGRA FINALS 2003

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