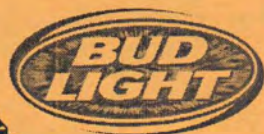


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Francisco Bay Area Gay Rodeo
September 16-18, 2005



L.A. Rodeo
August
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Where - What - When

July 2005

- 1-3 North Star Regional Rodeo
Minneapolis MN
- 1-3 Canadian Rockies Int'l Rodeo
Calgary ALB
- 5 GSDC Membership Mtg
- 9 Country Night at the all new Choices -
Long Beach
- 9 Bus Trip to Long Beach - LA Rodeo
Promo
- 10 GLAC-Chapter Meeting
Los Angeles
- 8-10 Rocky Mountain Rodeo
Denver CO
- 10 Wet N Wild Car Wash- SD
- 15 Rodeo Night at Oil Can Harry's
Studio City
- 16-17 State BOD Meeting- LA
- 16 Bus Trip to Los Angeles - LA Rodeo
Promo
- 19 GSDC - Committee Meeting
- 22-24 Southern Spurs Rodeo
Atlanta GA
- 23 Bus Trip to Pomona/Pasadena
LA Rodeo Promo
- 29-31 Greater Motown Int'l Rodeo
Detroit MI
- 30-31 San Diego Pride

August 2005

- 2 GSDC Membership Mtg
- 5-7 LA Rodeo 2005
Los Angeles CA
- 13 Country Night at Hamburger
Mary's - Long Beach
- 17 GSDC - Committee Meeting
- 19 Rodeo Night at Oil Can Harry's
Studio City
- 20 GLAC-Chapter Meeting
Long Beach
- 26-28 Windy City Rodeo
Chicago IL

September 2005

- 2-4 MGRA Show Me State Rodeo
Kansas City KS
- 6 GSDC Membership Mtg
- 10 GLAC Chapter Meeting
Long Beach
- 9-11 Atlantic Stampede 2005
Washington DC
- 9-11 Country Western Weekend
Kickers/Hamberger Mary's- SD
- 16-18 San Francisco Bay Area Rodeo
La Honda - CA
- 20 GSDC - Committee Meeting
- 30-2 Space City Stampede
Houston TX

October 2005

- 4 GSDC Membership Mtg
- 18 GSDC Chapter Dinner
- 20-23 21st Annual Convention
Calgary ALB
- 22 International Dance Competition
Calgary ALB



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JULY, A MONTH FULL OF RODEOS

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Minneapolis MN**

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GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

Silent Auction at LA Rodeo 2005

Among the many exciting happenings at the 2005 LA Rodeo, a Silent Auction will be taking place. Come to the Rodeo and check out the many great things available for your bid. Among the items up for auction, there are several Rodeo themed Prints. The Rodeo prints are signed by the Artist and framed in pine, ready to put on your walls. There are four prints in the series each valued at \$500.00. We are also proud to offer a two week vacation at the Playa Del Sol Costa Sur Resort in Puerto Vallarta. This vacation is for two weeks beginning November 3, 2005 and does not include airfare or transportation. The estimated cost of this vacation is \$2,000.00. There are also many other items that we make a wonderful addition to your home. Please check out all the items up for bid at www.LARodeo.com.

GLAC to Host GSGRA July Board Meeting

July 16 and 17 GSGRA/GLAC will host the state board meeting. The meeting will take place at the Burbank Airport Hilton. We will have our Rodeo Room rates of \$99.00 per night. Please tell them it for the GSGRA Board Meeting when making reservations.

LA RODEO 2005 ANNOUNCES ADDED PRIZE MONEY

Prize Money for L.A. Rodeo 2005

Event	Women	Men
All-Around Cowboy/Cowgirl	\$1000.00	\$1000.00
1st Runner-up All-Around	\$500.00	\$500.00
1st Place Combined Speed Events	\$150.00	\$150.00
1st Place Combined Rough Stock Events	\$150.00	\$150.00
1st Place Combined Roping Events	\$150.00	\$150.00
1st Place Bull Riding	\$450.00	\$450.00
Rookie Award	\$100.00 + Buckle	\$100.00 + Buckle
Wild Drag Costume Contest		
1st Place Wild Drag Costume	— \$150.00	
2nd Place Wild Drag Costume	— \$100.00	
3rd Place Wild Drag Costume	— \$50.00	

\$1200 from Bud Light - \$3950 from GSGRA-GLAC - \$150 from private donation
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Rodeo Bus Trips in July

The LA Rodeo is planning two bus trips in July to promote LA Rodeo 2005.



On Saturday July 16, we will be meeting at Fire Island 2 in Long Beach at 6pm and head up to the Burbank Airport Hilton to pick up the Rodeo folk at the State Board Meeting, then off to stroll Santa Monica Blvd. to hit the bars and promote LA Rodeo.

The cost is \$10 from Long Beach and \$5 from Burbank (more drinks from Long Beach)

On Saturday July 23 we will be meeting at the Silver Fox in Long Beach for a Buffet at 5PM. At 7PM we will be heading over to Fire Island 2 We'll then head over to the Paradise Bar and the Brit at 9PM. We'll be back at the Fox by midnight. Some come on out and join the fun.

Go to www.LARodeo.com for all the details.

Ya'll were fabulous!

Just a quick note to say thank you for all the people who volunteered to work at the Christopher Street West Gay Pride festival in West Hollywood the weekend of June 11 and 12

Members and friends of Greater Los Angeles The Chapter decorated the Country Western Pavilion, staffed beverage booths, manned a merchandise booth and carried the flags of the 50 States in the Parade on Sunday.

Thanks for your hard work and enthusiasm. It was a great weekend!

LINE DANCE MANIA

Saturday July 9 from 2pm-6pm
Line Dance Workshop
at
Choices
(Formerly Hamburger Mary's Long Beach)
740.E.Broadway Long Beach.
562-983-7001

Four hours of lessons and line dancing

Beginners: 2pm-3pm
Intermediate: 3pm-4:30pm
Advanced 4:30-6pm

Cover: \$10.00

Please contact me if you have questions:
Rosa@DJRosa.com

GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER (Cont.)

Did you Know about this?...

Hamburger Mary's, Long Beach-
10% discount with GSGRA ID
King's Western Wear, Studio city-
10% discount with GSGRA ID
Oil Can Harry's, Studio City
No Cover With ID, Thursdays

Mark your Calendars...

July 9 2005 10:00 AM—Sunday
GLAC Chapter Meeting
LA Equestrian Center
480 Riverside Dr, Burbank CA 91506

July 9, 2005, 6:00PM to 10:00 PM
Country Night, Choices (formerly
Hamburger Marys' of Long Beach)
740 E. Broadway, Long Beach
(562) 983-7001

July 10, 2005 3 PM to 10 PM
Rodeo Night at Rawhide Bar
10937 Burbank Blvd, N. Hollywood
(818) 760-9798

July 16 and 17, 2005,
GSGRA State Board Meeting
Burbank Airport Hilton
2500 Hollywood Way, Burbank, CA

July 16, 2005, 6PM to 1AM
Buss Trip to West Hollywood
Leaves FI2 in Long Beach at 6PM
Leaves Burbank Airport Hilton at 7PM.
\$10 from Long Beach, \$5 from Burbank

Future Chapter Meetings
July 10 (Los Angeles)
August 20 (Long Beach)
September 10 (Long Beach)
Annual Meeting of Members

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From The Top Of The Rodeo Tree....

Howdy,

Just a short note this month. Here's several things to keep in mind:

* The LA Rodeo's almost here. If you haven't made your reservations yet pick up the phone right now and start dialing!

* The next state board meeting is in LA this month and will be at the Burbank Hilton. As always, everyone's welcome.

* The state dance contest is being held at the LA Rodeo. Don't forget to sign up.

* Nominations are needed ASAP for the delegation to the IGRA Convention.

* Last chance to order your 20th anniversary belt buckles and team shirts.

See ya at the rodeo.

Jabby

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And from out Trusted Trustee.....

Hello fellow GSGRA Members. It's been a busy first half of the IGRA calendar. So far I have attended two IGRA Board meetings and have taken part in several on-line meetings and votes. Here are some highlights from our most recent meeting in Oklahoma City.

IGRA Royalty

There was some discussion about a possible IGRA Royalty contestant asking for clarification on our ADA policy. The board determined that a

broken bone or any other temporary challenge does not fall under the ADA protection and left the situation with the contest coordinator. The board also voted to remove Sybil from all history as Miss IGRA 1996 as she didn't finish her year. Naomi Lorrel will move up and be noted as Miss IGRA 1996.

Finals

There will be 2 Hotels for finals. One will be at the rodeo and another will be near the nightlife of Dallas. The Royalty events will take place at the hotel near the nightlife...imagine that!! We also approved a variance to run top five contestants only in certain events in the afternoon on Saturday, then the top 5 from Sat on Sunday. TGRA is exploring this as a way to have a 3 hour rodeo in the afternoon on both

days of presumably the best of the best. This will mean that a portion of all 13

events will be run prior to Grand Entry both days.

TGRA is also looking for contestants for their newsletter. Please visit the finals rodeo website at <http://www.finalsrodeo.com/home/> for all the information on finals and to see how they are profiling contestants. It would be great for our California contestants to be a part of the excitement build up for Finals. If you are interested please send a picture and brief bio to me and I'll make sure it gets in the right hands.

IGRA Website

The IGRA website has had a face lift. If you haven't already visited, check it out today...www.igra.com

Hero Money

For those of you who don't know, IGRA has entered into an agreement with Hero Unit Productions to film 10 regional rodeos plus finals this year. We believe this is an incredible

opportunity for IGRA to take the next step in promoting ourselves to the "digital" community. Hero has high hopes of getting our rodeos aired as a series on the Q network. In return for the right to film Hero is providing IGRA \$5000 per rodeo.

The Board of Directors voted in Oklahoma City to divide that money to several different groups:

Association Fund 20% of total money from Hero Held by IGRA and distributed to ALL Associations at the end of the year.

IGRA General Account 30% retained by IGRA to be used for Marketing, Education etc. of ALL of IGRA Contestant Fund 30% Retained by IGRA to be distributed to Rodeos in 2006

Hosting Rodeo 20% Paid to rodeo being filmed

Items for convention

There has been a request to look at how well we are protecting identities within IGRA. One suggestion has been to not require the 1099 form until after the rodeo when we know that they are necessary. This item will be discussed at convention.

I am very interested in any feedback on these and any other topics you would like me to take forward to the IGRA. Please don't hesitate to contact me at dgraff01@sbcglobal.net.

Respectfully submitted,
Douglas Graff
GSGRA Trustee to IGRA

Revenue VS Expenses and Budget Comparison

	Mar - Dec 05	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
Dance Contest	37.50	350.00	-312.50
Donations	0.00	440.00	-440.00
Membership dues	4,166.00	14,000.00	-9,834.00
Interest-savings	9.40		
Total Income	4,212.90	14,790.00	-10,577.10
Expense			
Branding and Comm	400.00	950.00	-550.00
Dance Contest Expenses	0.00	700.00	-700.00
Education	0.00	1,600.00	-1,600.00
General Administrative	278.00	3,700.00	-3,422.00
Growth & Development	0.00	500.00	-500.00
Membership	337.84	2,790.00	-2,452.16
Merchandise	150.00	250.00	-100.00
Mr Ms Miss	0.00	500.00	-500.00
Professional Fees	595.00	2,000.00	-1,405.00
State Convention Expenses	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
Taxes	913.00	800.00	113.00
Total Expense	2,673.84	14,790.00	-12,116.16
Net Ordinary Income	1,539.06	0.00	1,539.06
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
David Watkins Memorial Fund	177.00	1,500.00	-1,323.00
Reserve Funds	0.00	500.00	-500.00
Total Other Income	177.00	2,000.00	-1,823.00
Other Expense			
DWMF Contestant Expenses	0.00	700.00	-700.00
Total Other Expense	0.00	700.00	-700.00
Net Other Income	177.00	1,300.00	-1,123.00
Net Income	1,716.06	1,300.00	416.06

Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2005

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

1010 · Cash in bank - operating 11,358.03

1070 · Reserve Fund 8,552.47

1071 · Memorial Funds 1,856.61

Total Checking/Savings 21,767.11

1110 · Accounts receivables 5,365.58

1115 · Doubtful accounts allowance 23,358.94

Total Accounts Receivable 28,724.52

1450 · Prepaid expenses 164.00

Total Other Current Assets 164.00

Total Current Assets 50,655.63

Fixed Assets

1745 · Accum deprec- furn,fix,equip 924.00

Total Fixed Assets 924.00

TOTAL ASSETS 51,579.63

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

3001 · Opening Bal Equity 44,210.51

3010 · Unrestrict (retained earnings) 7,475.93

Net Income -106.81

Total Equity 51,579.63

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 51,579.63

SD SENTINEL

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

July 5th, General Membership Mtg 7 pm

All Meetings are held at Twigg's CoffeeShop
COME EARLY AND MINGLE!



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The San Diego Chapter held a Garage Sale on Saturday May 5th at Ken's house with items donated by some members. The amount raised was \$375. Thank you to all of you who donated items and that helped run the sale. It went so well that there is talk about holding another sale in the near future. SO start collecting your unwanted treasures.

Once again the San Diego Chapter will be participating on the San Diego LGBT Pride parade. This year will be Saturday July 30th, taking the usual route along University and Sixth. Help in carrying the 50 US State flags is needed, volunteers can sign up with Ken Valdez at 619-299-7813 call right away if you want to carry a particular flag.

Elections for State Representative were held at the June membership meeting. Elected were Ken Valdez, Steve Wollert and Mike DiNucci, the first alternate is Tony Nicholson.



From Tina Rhinestone:

As Diamond Spur Casino Night comes to an end, Steve Wollert and myself want to say a big thank you to all the guests and the chapter members who were there to lend a hand. The evening was exceptional; Palm Springs chapter chartered a bus to San Diego and as I saw they had a blast (I think even before they got here). Our own Miss Trout and Eric Hanson came all the way from the Bay area to support us, (Did you see Trout's do? If the saying the higher the do the closer to God is true, then she must have shaken hands with Him!) The Greater Los Angeles chapter donated a big basket (so abundant in LA), Everybody had a great time, specially after the lucky ones go their hands on the great prizes awarded, they went like hot cakes! Staff at Kicker's was ever helpful and accommodating as the main sponsors. This was the Sixth Casino Night and the Seventh will be even better!

Lotsa Love to ya'll

Miss Tina Rhinestone

PS The night raised \$2128 toward our 2006 Rodeo Bid!

