

# **June 2015 BigHorn Gazette**

Winner of the Alan Huss Volunteer Buckle - Ken Wells



### Men of Charlie's Contest Charlie's Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>

Bob Townsend cohosted the Men of Charlie's Contest for May 2015 with Britney Shea, and introduced the contestants Chad and Phil.



Part way through the evening, Chad and Phil took part in the Cowboy Trick which required the "victim" to jiggle an Orio cookie from his forehead into his mouth.



Between them, Chad and Phil raised \$263.95 for the St Therese Center.



Whilst every contestant is a winner in the Men of Charlie's Contest, only one man can be awarded the title, Man of Charlie's.

Congratulations to Phil Lombardi for becoming Mr May 2015. Phil is a member of NGRA and one of our recently elected Directors at Large who took office on May 1<sup>st</sup> 2015.

## Las Vegas Pride Family Bingo: Trailer Trash Bingo Alexis Park All-Suite Resort Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>



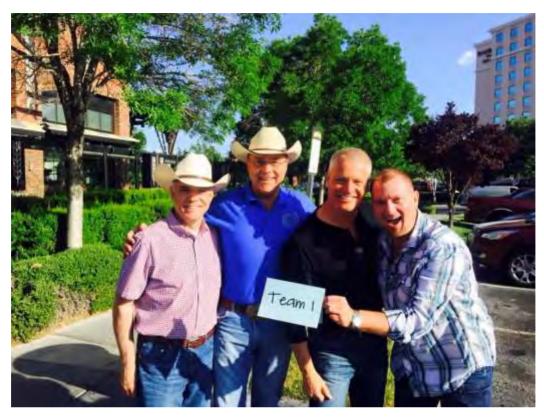






Winnie Baygo (aka Doug Graff, NGRA President) hands out weekend tickets to BigHorn Rodeo 2015 to lucky winners at Las Vegas Pride Family Bingo

## Scavenger Hunt Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>









Very many thanks to Andrew Goodman for all the time and effort he put into making Barbarell's Strip Search such a huge success.

### BigHorn Rodeo Pool Party Alexis Park All-Suite Resort Pool Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>



## BigHorn Rodeo 2015 Horseman's Park Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup>









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# BigHorn Rodeo 2015 Buckle Winners

All Around

Cowboy Cowgirl David Renier Renita Encinias

**Bull Riding** 

Cowboy Cowgirl Duke P Not Won

Steer Riding

Cowboy Cowgirl Tim Hollman Amanda Essary

**Chute Dogging** 

Cowboy Cowgirl James Loughrey Stefani Curtis

Calf Roping on Foot

Cowboy Cowgirl Greg Begay Shelda Wilde

Mounted Breakaway Roping

Cowboy Cowgirl Greg Begay Renita Encinias

**Barrel Racing** 

Cowboy Cowgirl Lorenzo Dell'Aquilla Shelby Scott Pole Bending

Cowboy Lorenzo Dell'Aquilla Cowgirl Dianne Fleming

Flag Race

Cowboy Phil Lucier
Cowgirl Dianne Fleming

**Team Roping** 

Team Greg Begay & David Lawson

**Steer Decorating** 

Team Stefani Curtis & Hollywood Curtis

Wild Drag Race

Team Pepe, Renee Rettstatt & David Renier

**Goat Dressing** 

Team Phil Lucier & Drew Oberbeck





# Las Vegas Pride Dunk Tank





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## Volunteer Thank You Party Barry and Carolyn's Home Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>





Barry hands out our signature shot: Cowboy Cock Sucker

#### Fundraising

Our normal fundraising event at Charlie's in May was given over to a Dance Party with line dancing and two step all night interspersed with amazing displays by Phoenix Heatwave. Heatwave is a contemporary line dance troupe drawing from a wide variety of popular musical genres including country, pop, hip-hop, and more. They are a diverse team of volunteer performers who contribute their creativity, time, and talent to share their enthusiasm for dance with audiences everywhere. Outside of their home venue at Charlie's, Phoenix they can be seen performing regularly at statewide Pride Festivals and Arizona Gay Rodeo Association events. We were honored to have them travel to perform at the Bighorn Rodeo.

Despite giving up our normal game of chance for the night we still raised \$271 from Barry Jones manning the beer bust and the Misses Closet Ball 2014 and 2015 (Joseph and Jeremy) selling top notch Jello shots. I hope you all enjoyed the night.

In June we revert to our normal fun events. On June 13<sup>th</sup> we shall be celebrating the fact that School's Out hosted by our Royalty Team with Norma Llyaman (Jim McCoy) testing you on the information you retain from your school days in her own inimitable trivia quiz. We shall again have a beer bust, shots for sale and the grand prize in our school-day based game of chance will be a meal for two at that well-known restaurant Firefly on Paradise, value \$100.

On June 27<sup>th</sup> NGRA returns to Badlands and asks you to join in at our Summer Camp. Fun and games with Miss Cow Patty 2014 as well as our Royalty and other amazing performers. Look out for a beer bust, shots and another amazing game of chance to give you all an opportunity to win a great prize.

Carolyn Jones
Fundraising Chair
fundraising@ngra.com

#### Friends of NGRA

Tokens in support of this enterprise were sold at the Party in the Park on Rodeo Friday and again on the first day of the BigHorn Rodeo. A big thank you to those who purchased tokens and \$320 were raised. A full list of names will appear in our next edition.



Our gratitude also goes to those who sold the tokens with especial thanks going to our friends from AGRA who helped with the selling.





The tokens are available to buy on line and will be on sale from NGRA members at future major events.

#### From Your Volunteer Coordinator

Well, once again you did a great job at BigHorn. I can only offer another Thank You to all who came, signed in, worked their shift and did it all with a big smile.

#### Front Gate





#### **Drink Ticket Sales**





We saw some more smiles when those who were able came along to the Thank You Party the following Sunday.

Don't forget to fill in the feedback form you should have received. Your thoughts are always welcome as we plan to make the next rodeo even better. If you have not had the form please get in touch.

And look out for volunteering opportunities at Finals in October. We plan to be the perfect hosts for these.

Volunteer Coordinator Carolyn Jones volunteers@bighornrodeo.com

#### NGRA's Pride Float

Before you know it, Pride will be here and NGRA wants to be prepared with a float that will celebrate both the Nevada Gay Rodeo Association and the LGBT Community.

We need ideas, workers and probably equipment. Let's make this year's float the biggest, and best, that NGRA has ever had. This year's parade is taking place the evening of Friday, September 18th.

If you're interested in helping with this year's float, please contact our Vice President, Ken Hruby, at <a href="mailto:vicepresident@ngra.com">vicepresident@ngra.com</a>.

#### Benefits of being a Member of NGRA



25% off of all regularly priced drinks at Charlie's Las Vegas. Charlie's is offering 25% off, on regularly priced drinks, to all NGRA Members who are wearing their nametag in the bar. This special is 24/7, 365 so be sure to wear your nametag. (Drink specials such as beer bust, happy hour, shot specials, etc. are excluded).



All NGRA Members get 15% off at both Sheplers locations. Remember to bring your membership card to receive the discount.

Look out for the Sheplers advertisement on another page of the Newsletter.

#### Food at Fundraisers



Ever felt hungry at Charlie's during a NGRA fundraiser?



Food for sale at all our Charlie's based fundraisers from our Closet Ball contest on April 11<sup>th</sup> for the rest of the year.



Every meal bought means a donation to NGRA from the food vendor



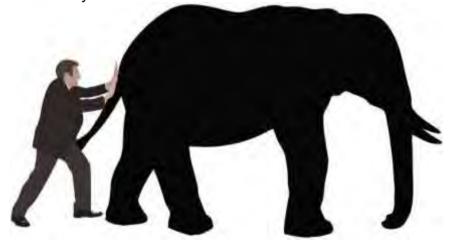


#### Editor's Bits and Pieces

You may remember from last month that Henry just didn't hit it off in Pahrump and moved back to the city. Well, Henry just couldn't rest and looked to new horizons. I think he had watched "Jungle Book" too many times and fancied himself working an elephant. Before you know it, Henry took a trip to India and leased a few hundred acres of timber plantation.

Well Henry knew as much about elephants as he did about chickens, roosters and donkeys. Off he goes to get himself an elephant. It seems that, in the Indian outback, you will find concentrations of elephant vendors, a bit like the Auto Malls in Las Vegas. So here's Henry looking to buy an elephant. He walks past Elephants R Us, Elephants to Go, Elephant Mart and finally decides to look around Elephant Depot. He finds a really friendly salesman call Dipak and explains that he's looking for an elephant to work hard on his plantation doing jobs like loading logs. Dipak had a large number of elephants for sale and showed them all to Henry who really didn't know which one to choose. But then he spotted one he fancied. "I like the look of that one", he said to Dipak, "Look how big and strong he is, and look at those huge horns!" "They're called tusks, actually", Dipak said, struggling not to laugh. "Really", said Henry, "whatever".

So, the deal was sealed and Dipak asked whether Henry would like to take the elephant with him or rather have it delivered. Henry remembered the fiasco in Pahrump and decided to play it safe and have the elephant delivered the next day. Henry couldn't sleep that night, thinking about the elephant. Next morning, Henry was up and about early. The elephant arrived in a huge crate on the back of a truck. The crate was craned off the truck and Dipak led the elephant into Henry's barn. Dipak gave Henry the Elephant User Manual and Quick Start Guide and left saying, "It's all in there. Just read them and you'll be fine".



Henry made himself a cup of tea and read up about how to handle an elephant. Off he marches to the barn, full of expectations about working his elephant. "यहां आओ", Henry yells. Henry had been using Google Translate so thought he knew elephant speak. The elephant didn't move. Henry pulled and he pushed but the elephant stubbornly refused to budge. "Oh, ### it", cursed Henry, and he stormed off back to Elephant Depot.

Henry found Dipak and complained that the elephant wouldn't obey him. "You have to show him who is the boss", said Dipak. "Go over there to the building department and buy two bricks, the biggest you can carry, one in each hand. Go back to your elephant and ask someone to hold up its tail. Then pick up the bricks and smash the elephant's goolies between the bricks." "But, won't it hurt", exclaimed Henry. "Only if you get your thumbs between the bricks", sighed Dipak.

Barry J Jones Newsletter Editor news@ngra.com

#### Happy Birthday

To those Members with birthdays in June:

3	Kip Kipilla		
4	Johnny Bob Dalton		
14	Ken Wong		
17	Jason Dyer		
17	David Hering		
20	David Wright		
22	Richard Armstrong		
27	Chris Due		
<b>4</b> 1	Michael Yarbrough		

#### Welcome to the NGRA Corral

Jesse Guerrero
Jeremy Leckberg
Ericka Myers
Kristine Nelson
Debora Simon

#### Member of the Month

**Gary Segal** 

Gary Segal was nominated as April Member of the Month for carrying a Closet of Balls.

Congratulations and thanks to Gary.

#### **NGRA** Convention

During the April meeting, the Board selected a date, and location, for this year's Annual Convention. Convention will take place on Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30 am.

Convention will be held at:

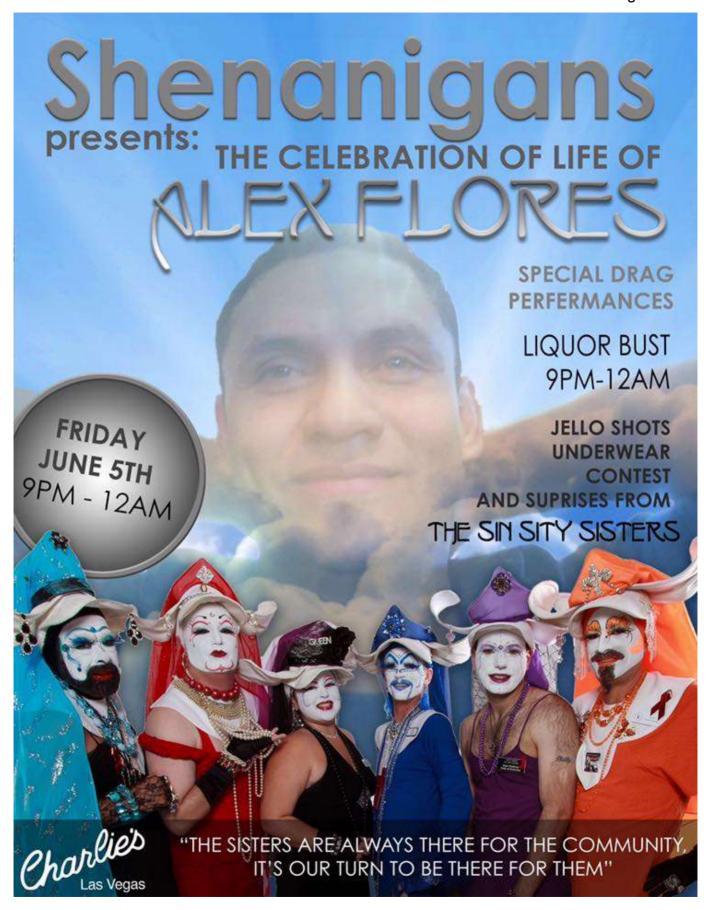
D Bar J Hat Company, 5960 Topaz Street, Las Vegas NV 89120

All NGRA Members are invited, and encouraged to attend. Convention is the one time a year, when the NGRA Bylaws can be modified. The Board would like to thank "D Bar J Hat Company" for offering their space for us to hold this year's Convention.

Ken Hruby NGRA Vice President vicepresident@ngra.com

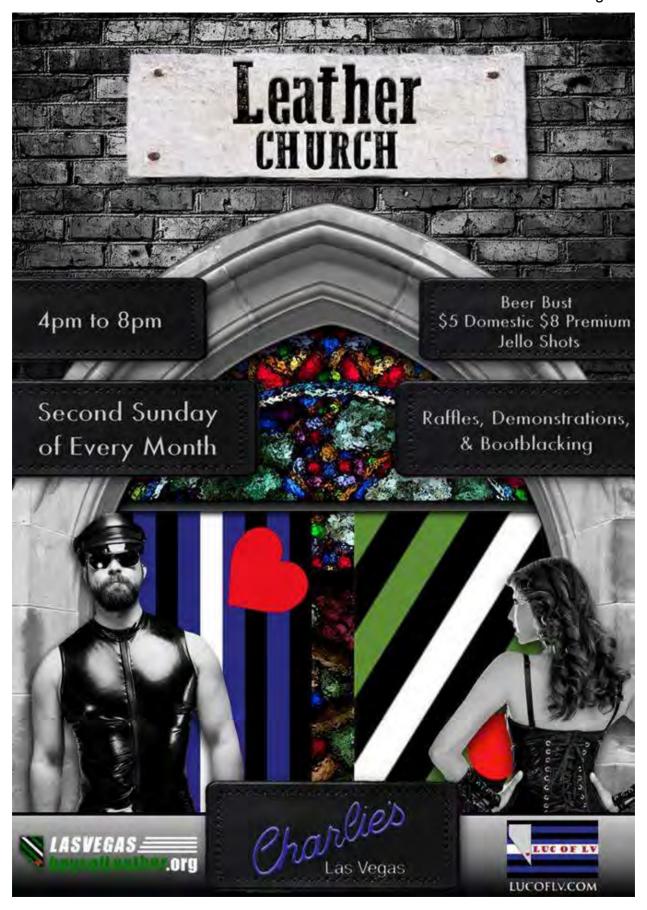








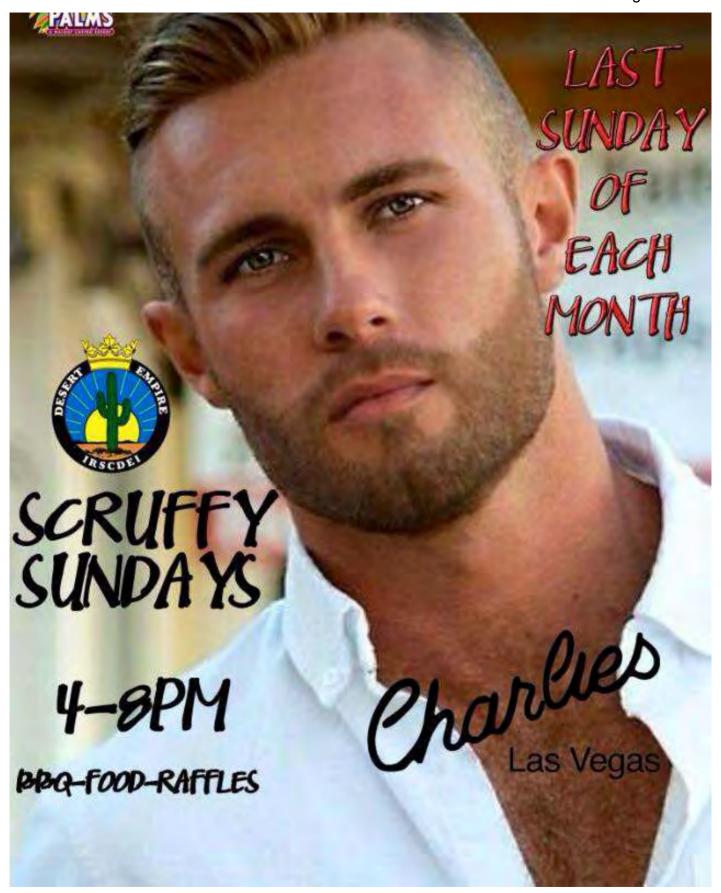




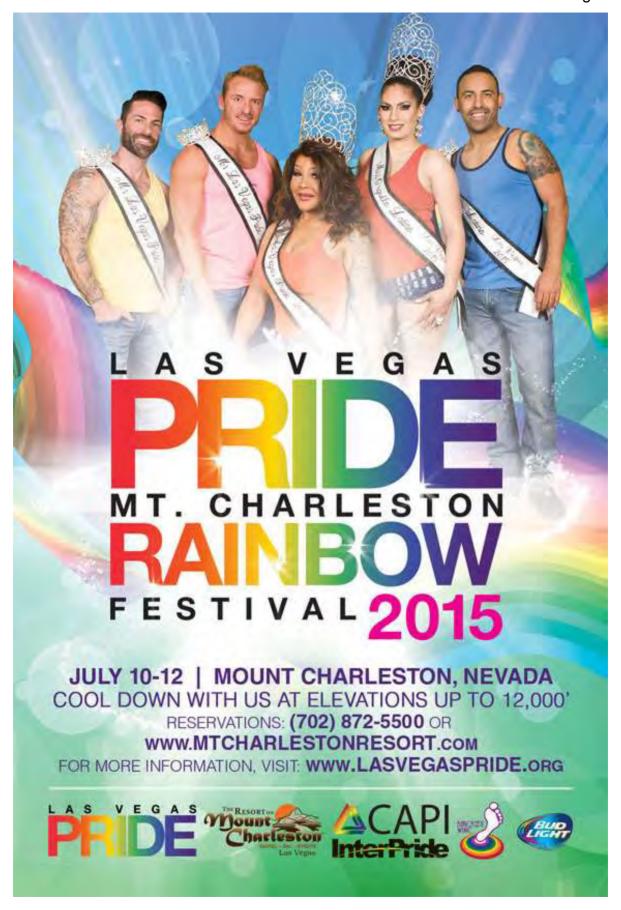








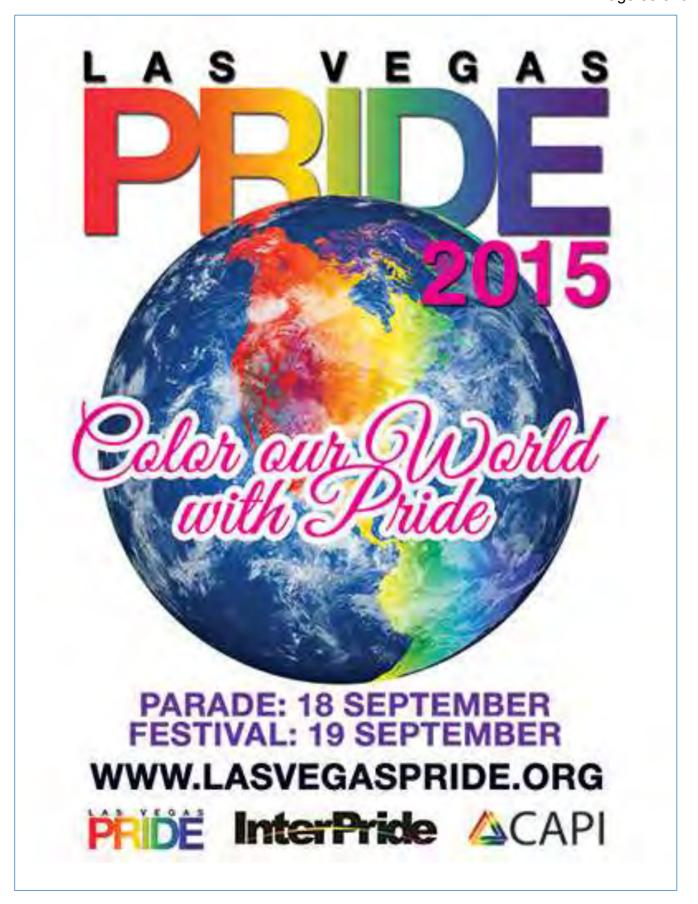












## Calendar

#### June

Wed	6:00 pm	Las Vegas Pride "Happy Hour"	Alexis Park All-Suite Resort,
	7:00 pm	Las Vegas Pride Family Bingo	375 East Harmon Avenue,
	7.00 pm	Wedding Bells Bingo	Las Vegas, NV 89169
Eri		Shenanigans presents:	Charlie's,
Fri 5	9.00 pm	The Celebration of Life of	5012 South Arville Street,
5		ALEX FLORES	Las Vegas, NV 89118
Sat		Men of Charlie's	Charlie's,
6	10:30 pm	Man of the Month Contest	5012 South Arville Street,
0		Benefits the Sin Sity Sisters	Las Vegas, NV 89118
Sun		NGRA Convention	D Bar J Hat Company,
Sun 7	10:30 am		5960 Topaz Street
			Las Vegas, NV 89120
Sat		School's Out	Charlie's,
13	9.00 pm		5012 South Arville Street,
13			Las Vegas, NV 89118
Sun			Charlie's,
14	4:00 pm	Leather Church	5012 South Arville Street,
17			Las Vegas, NV 89118
Mon		NGRA Board and General Membership Meeting	Gay & Lesbian Community Center,
15	6:30 pm		401 South Maryland Parkway,
13			Las Vegas, NV 89101
Wed			Gay & Lesbian Community Center,
17	6:30 pm	Fundraising Committee Meeting	401 South Maryland Parkway,
			Las Vegas, NV 89101
Fri	9:00 pm	Mr & Mrs Firecracker IRSCDE Inc Event	The Phoenix Bar & Lounge,
19			4213 West Sahara Avenue,
	0.00 p	IRSCIDE Inc Event	•
		IRSCDE Inc Event	Las Vegas, NV 89102
Sat			Las Vegas, NV 89102 Charlie's,
Sat	9:00 pm	Taylor's Temptation Island III	Las Vegas, NV 89102 Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street,
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## July

Wed	6:00 pm	Las Vegas Pride "Happy Hour"	Alexis Park All-Suite Resort,
1	7:00 pm	Las Vegas Pride Family Bingo	375 East Harmon Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89169
Sat 4	40.00	Men of Charlie's	Charlie's,
	10:30 pm	Man of the Month Contest Benefits the St Therese Center	5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
10-12		Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo (CGRA)	Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 15200 West 6 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Golden, CO 80401
10-12		Las Vegas Pride Mt Charleston Rainbow Festival 2015	Mt Charleston, Nevada
Sat		A Royal Chocolate Cherub /	Charlie's,
11	2:00 pm	Underwear Auction	5012 South Arville Street,
		IRSCDE Inc Event	Las Vegas, NV 89118
Sun	4.00	Leather Church	Charlie's,
12	4:00 pm		5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
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Sat	9 00 pm	Red White and Blue	Charlie's,
Sat 18	9.00 pm	Red, White and Blue	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street,
	9.00 pm 6:30 pm	Red, White and Blue  NGRA Board and General Membership Meeting	Charlie's,
18 Mon	•	NGRA Board and General	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118 Gay & Lesbian Community Center, 401 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89101 Dead Broke Arena, 5676 170th Street North,
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## August

Sat 1	10:30 pm	Men of Charlie's Man of the Month Contest Benefits the Gay & Lesbian Community Center	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
Wed	6:00 pm	Las Vegas Pride "Happy Hour"	Alexis Park All-Suite Resort,
5	7:00 pm	Las Vegas Pride Family Bingo	375 East Harmon Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89169
Sat 8	9:00 pm	Hot Rod Rumble	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
Sun 9	4:00 pm	Leather Church	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
Fri 14		NMGRA Rodeo School	Rodeo de Santa Fe, 3237 Rodeo Road, Santa Fe, NM 87507
14-16		Zia Regional Rodeo (NMGRA)	Rodeo de Santa Fe, 3237 Rodeo Road, Santa Fe, NM 87507
Sat 15	9:00 pm	King Midas / Golden Goddess IRSCDE Inc Event	Goodtimes Bar & Nightclub, 1775 East Tropicana Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89119
Mon 17	6:30 pm	NGRA Board and General Membership Meeting	Gay & Lesbian Community Center, 401 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89101
Sun 30	4:00 pm	Scruffy Sundays IRSCDE Inc Event	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118

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Effective May 1st, 2015

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