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PALM SPRINGS "HOT" RODEO



New NGRA Contestant, Jodi Toll (left), meeting and making friends with the women of the Sunshine Christmas Tree Farm – Dr. Larry photo bombing!

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From your President

The Revitalization of NGRA

It's been pointed out to me, and I've noticed on my own, that NGRA isn't what it used to be. Recently, I looked at some of the newsletters from 2008 and 2009 (which can be found at the NGRA Website) and looking at just the pictures, you can see the difference. In those pictures, it's evident that NGRA was more of a social group than it is today. The current NGRA puts on rodeos and puts on fundraisers but that's it. I want to change that. I'd love to have an NGRA Bowling Day, or an NGRA Hike, Picnic, Volleyball Game, or anything else that you and I (the members of NGRA) can come up with. NGRA definitely needs fundraisers, and we need the money that goes with them but I want NGRA to be more than just another bar event where we're asking for your money. Let's make NGRA a social group where people hang out (outside the bars) just to have fun and meet new people. I love Las Vegas, I've lived here for over 25 years, but it's an extremely difficult place to meet people – especially if you aren't a bar fly. I've got ideas and I know where I want to take NGRA but I can't do it alone. I need your help. I'm interested in hearing from everybody who has an idea but I'm especially interested in hearing from some of NGRA's past. I see past royalty, and board members, all over the place, still in town, just not active like they were in the past and I want to know why. Are they just burned out, I can understand that but if there's more than that – if NGRA isn't what you remember – then help me bring it back to where it used to be. Please, if you're reading this article, print it and put it in front of someone from NGRA's past. Let them know that I need their help and I need your help. If you have an idea, please contact me. I can't do this by myself but with the help of our members (past and present), we can make NGRA the social organization that it used to be.

Ken Hruby
 NGRA President
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From your Vice President

I hope everyone is enjoying his or her start to summer! The NGRA contestants working hard for those World Gay Rodeo Finals points are traveling the rodeo road. Congratulations go out to Courtney Cole and Tandi Remy for their buckle wins at the Palm Springs Hot Rodeo, as well as congratulations to all the contestants from NGRA!

In late April, The Center invited NGRA to come share our history and share all information that anyone would want to know about NGRA. We had a relatively small, but enthused crowd, where we were able to introduce many newer NGRA members to the very first President of NGRA, Mr. Bob Edwards. Bob was gracious enough to speak about the trials and tribulations of helping get NGRA started and growing into the organization we are today! A huge thank you is being sent out to Bob and Randy for spending the evening with us, and sharing the history of how NGRA became about. We were also lucky to have Richard Armstrong in the audience, who many did not realize is our very first contestant from NGRA. Richard shared his story of traveling to San Diego back in 1993, not knowing anyone, but being proud to represent NGRA!

Congratulations to B Bear (Brian Porras) for being selected as Member of the Month for April, in recognition of his continued efforts on the fundraising front! Thank you B Bear for all you do for NGRA!

Also a big congratulation to Jeffrey Neal and Richard Armstrong for being named Lifetime Members to NGRA! Both of these men have represented NGRA for many years in a positive fashion on both sides of the rodeo arena! We are proud to call them Lifetime Members of NGRA!

Until next time, keep your head up, look where you are going, and keep kicking!

Chris Due
NGRA Vice President
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NGRA Membership Special

NGRA has a long, wonderful past, which includes you – our former members and friends. We'd like to get reacquainted with some old friends that we may have lost touch with over the years. To make that easier, we're introducing a Membership Special for former NGRA members, allowing them to rejoin through 2016.

From now, through June 30th, former NGRA members can renew their membership for only \$15. As most of our former members already have an NGRA name tag, this fee does not include one; however, if you would like a new name tag, you can order that as well for only \$15.

Please visit www.shopNGRA.com and be sure to click on "NGRA Membership Special" to take advantage of this membership offer.

As always, thank you for your continued support of NGRA.

Ken Hruby
NGRA President
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Open Position at NGRA: Public Relations Spokesperson

NGRA is looking for a Public Relations Spokesperson. People interested in promoting NGRA, our events, and our people to the public should contact Ken Hruby at president@ngra.com.

Role of the Public Relations Spokesperson

The Public Relations Spokesperson shall:

- A. be responsible for arranging publicity for the Corporation's events, through the creation and timely issuance of news releases and through other activities;
- B. be responsible for the external dissemination of information, whether written or verbal, as directed by the needs of the Corporation, and
- C. keep complete and accurate lists of appropriate media for news releases, along with a complete and accurate list of the other IGRA associations.

The Center Spotlights NGRA
Friday, April 29th

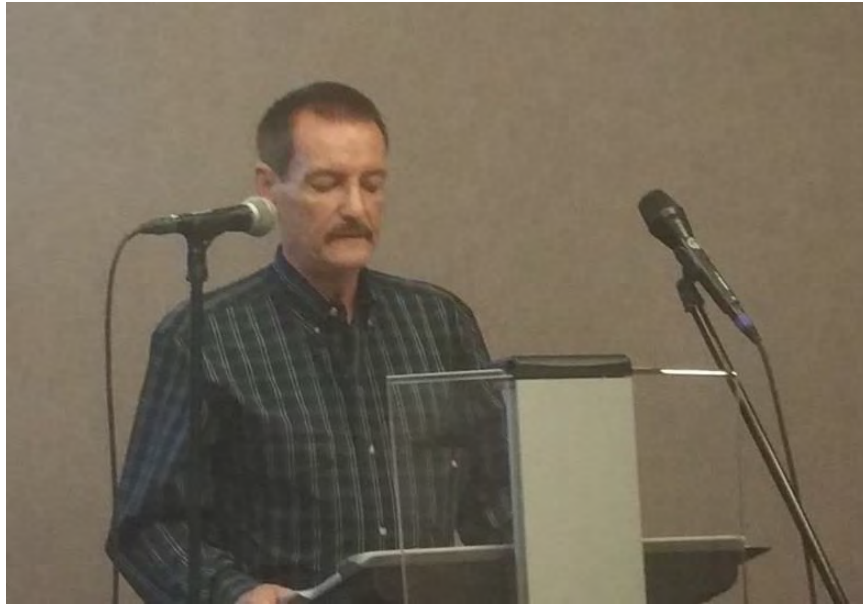


**EVERYTHING
YOU DIDN'T KNOW
ABOUT THE
NGRA**
NEVADA GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION

COME ON OUT AND HEAR
ABOUT THE NEVADA GAY
RODEO ASSOCIATION'S
ORIGINS AND IMPACT
ON NEVADA AND HOW IT
ALL CAME TO BE!

FRIDAY, APRIL 29
6 TO 7:30PM THE CENTER
401 S. MARYLAND PKWY.

On Friday, April 29th, NGRA was invited to speak at The Center about the associations origins and impact on Nevada and to share our history. We were lucky that evening to be joined by two of the founding members, Bob Edwards and Randy Larsen as well as NGRA's first rodeo contestant, Richard Armstrong. The crowd was light, but the information shared that evening was heavy with history and knowledge. I cannot thank Bob and Richard enough for sharing the stories of how NGRA came to be the organization it is today. I can only imagine what it felt like to be the only contestant from your state and to attend a rodeo where you knew no one. These three men took that leap of faith and here we are today!



Bob Edwards, NGRA's First President



Richard Armstrong, NGRA's First Contestant

Hotrod Rodeo A C Dysart Equestrian Center, Banning, California May 6-8th

May 6th, many NGRA members packed up and headed west for the weekend of fun and sun in Palm Springs. We had lots of fun, but the sun was little harder to come by! I do believe this was the coldest "hot rodeo" on record. Friday it rained most of the day and well into the night, leaving many horses shivering in the cool temperatures. Saturday the sky seemed to have mercy on the contestants and animals by not raining until almost the very end of the rodeo, where the Wild Drag Race contestants had to deal with a torrential down pour soaking everything and everyone! Before the actual rainstorm, NGRA constants caused their own storm in the arena. The ladies of NGRA came out of the gate with a bang and the crowd took notice.

The results from IGRA have many errors so we are unable to give a detailed report of the results for NGRA, but on Saturday, in barrel racing, 4 of the top 5 ladies were from NGRA!

The ladies of NGRA continued to win in the Pole Bending as well as placing in the Flag Race. Congratulations to all the contestants from NGRA. Their hard work landed NGRA in 4th place with the points earned that weekend.



Britany, Tandi and Gunner



Stephanie and Stacey



Calf Roping on Foot
Birdseye View from the Crow's Nest
Courtesy of Dawg

Buckle Winners

All Around

Cowboy	David L (GSGRA)
Cowgirl	Cynbad (GSGRA)

Bull Riding

Cowboy	AJ S (GSGRA)
Cowgirl	Amanda E (ARGRA)

Steer Riding

Cowboy	N/A
Cowgirl	Amanda E (ARGRA)

Chute Dogging

Cowboy	Brian H (NMGRA)
Cowgirl	N/A

Calf Roping on Foot

Cowboy	Brian H (NMGRA)
Cowgirl	Bernice R (NMGRA)

Mounted Breakaway Roping

Cowboy	Greg B (AGRA)
Cowgirl	Cynbad (GSGRA)

Barrel Racing

Cowboy	David L (GSGRA)
Cowgirl	Courtney C (NGRA)

Pole Bending

Cowboy	David L (GSGRA)
Cowgirl	Tandy R (NGRA)

Flag Race

Cowboy	David R (GSGRA)
Cowgirl	Renee R (GSGRA)

Team Roping

Team	David L (GSGRA) & Greg B (AGRA)
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Steer Decorating

Team	Rob S (ARGRA) & Bob B (GSGRA)
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Wild Drag Race

Team	Jody C (GSGRA), Brian H (NMGRA) & Teri H (NMGRA)
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Goat Dressing

Team	Rob S (ARGRA) & Bob B (GSGRA)
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*N/A = Not Awarded



Chris Due & Frenchman's Proudest aka Olive
Courtesy of Richard Armstrong (Horse & Photo)



Amazing Arena Crew
Featuring Traci and Charli
NGRA Super Stars!

Sexy Car Wash QuadZ Parking Lot Saturday, May 14th

May's fundraising activities started off very differently with a Sexy Car Wash. This car wash had it all. Sexy fun guys in Marco Marco swimwear waving big signs over their heads or dashing around with damp clothes, excellent music and friends to talk to in sunshine or over a cocktail in QuadZ. What more could you ask for?

A solid run of customers kept the washers busy and the morning made over \$1000 for NGRA funds.

As our Fundraising Director and the organizer Marcus posted: "Busy weekend but thank you thank you to Get Booked, to Wes for taking care of the money and writing a check and the best part is a new friendship with Marco Marco. Chris U are fabulous keeping the boys in fabulous swim wear. To David a long-time friend and Daniel the bartender @ QuadZ. Thank you for the trust and letting me in your Saturday business."

Our President Ken Hruby posted: "Marcus - Great Job to you, your team, and of course your volunteers. Over \$1000 for a carwash is amazing. Also, a huge thank you to all the businesses that donated their product (swimwear) and the space for us to be able to hold the NGRA - Nevada Gay Rodeo Association - Carwash. Thanks QuadZ and Get Booked."

One of the very active volunteers, Ken Wells, posted: - "Okay this may take a while, lots of people to thank for showing up today. Chad Hinerman, Brian Porras, Brenda Lee Luce-Alday, Kathy Alday, David Herring, Ken Hruby and Vic, Jeffrey Neal, Carolyn Jones, Barry Jones, George Hernandez, and the Badlands Bartenders. Reichen, Mr. Sin City Nude. And all the Marco Marco models. The staff of QuadZ, for the ice and water and cocktails. and Wes Williams, and Chris Michael Hepler.

Get Booked!!! You are wonderful people, for letting NGRA use your parking spaces.

What a great time. To DJ Ricoché for keeping the boys spirits up during a warm morning and afternoon."

After a successful and fun day, we agreed we must do this again

Touting for Business





Introducing our Car Washers



























Get 'em Up – Stand and Deliver



Fundraising Director, Marcus, showing how it should really be done and clearly enjoying his time with the good looking guys.



NGRA Secretary, Jeffrey Neal, and President, Ken Hruby, look on happily like proud fathers

Dance Party Charlie's Saturday, May 14th

After the hectic morning at the car wash things calmed a little later on as we enjoyed country music all evening at Charlie's.

Nothing but line dancing and two step brought the country bar to life as it used to be.



Marcus tried to organize a Family Feud between teams from NGRA and Charlie's but in the confusion and hilarity your reporter can't be sure who won, if anyone really did. Still good fun all round.

Our usual beer bust was sold by Carolyn, while Miss Kitty sold the Chance Cards and David Wright managed the table and handed out the prizes.

Game of Chance



Happy Prize Winners









Choices, choices. Which prize to pick.







Finally, thanks again to Percy and the staff at Charlie's for your support of NGRA.

NGRA Garden Party Carolyn's and Barry's Home Sunday, May 22nd

For some years I have heard people at Board Meetings and elsewhere saying NGRA should have a more active social side. On Sunday May 22nd an event was organized by two of your directors, Barry and Carolyn Jones to address this concern. Throwing open their yard and bar to all NGRA members and their guests, they provided food, drink and party games for all.

After a windy few days which delayed setting up, the wind dropped and the weather was near perfect.

A cold buffet was provided by Carolyn and seemed to be well received. Barry meanwhile took his place at the free bar.





Hopefully something to tickle the taste buds of everyone who came along.

About 20 members turned out to enjoy the afternoon. One brought a guest who sported a snazzy cowboy hat, had a great time and was pleased to take advantage of our membership offer and signed up during the afternoon. Welcome to new member Max Smith



The flyer had promised party games and after lunch these were enjoyed by the guests.

Musical Hoops

We started with a game of musical hoops (like musical chairs but without the risk of falling off your chair in the scrabble. You found a partner and while you went round the circle of hoops one way your partner went round the other. When Matt stopped the music you grabbed your partner and you both jumped into a hoop.



5 determined couples, 4 hoops. Trouble when the music stops.



Roger Bergmann looking lost without his partner and no hoop to go to.



And here's to prove that size does matter, at least when it comes to playing Musical Hoops. Marcus and Jeffrey were a force to reckon with in the shove for that last hoop.

Pass the Parcel

Barry had decried the game of Pass the Parcel as for children but when Roger Bergmann tore off the first layer to reveal a pair of handcuffs the tone felt definitely adult.









Stephanie Malone was the last to unwrap a layer and won the main prize. a wallet.

Cornhole

As the hosts soon learned, cornhole is an American lawn game in which players take turns throwing bags of corn (or bean bags) at a raised platform with a hole in the far end. A bag in the hole scores 3 points, while one on the platform scores 1 point. Play continues until a team or player reaches the score of 21.

Having borrowed the boards from Charlie's and having Stephanie explain the rules, two teams tried their luck. It must have been Stephanie's day because with her partner Courtney they swept the board. Sorry about the pun.







Barry and Carolyn would like to thank all those who came along and, above all, those who helped: Will Glenn of Charlie's for the loan of the Cornhole game, Matt Todd for providing the music and generally helping out with set up, Buzz Green for the very unhealthy but delicious cheesecake and Roger Bergmann, Bill Watkins and Lorry King for bringing even more food just in case there was not enough. And to Marcus for the bottle of bubbly and the quality cheeses.

I am sure everyone who came along hopes for more social events like this. Shall you come along next time? Why not.

Benefits of being a Member of NGRA

Charlie's
Las Vegas

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).

NGRA Meet & Greet Spotlight Lounge Sunday, May 29th

A new regular event on the NGRA calendar is a Meet and Greet at the Spotlight Lounge. Again not a fundraiser but a good afternoon out. With a vast raffle, entertainment consisting of karaoke, comedy and good music, a tasty free buffet and drinks special, it's well worth popping along to the next one on June 26th.



Wow, that was good.

NGRA Retreat—Discussion Items Wanted

Please read this article and then email your submissions to NGRA_Retreat@cox.net.

In January, I wrote an article, asking for some of NGRA's long-time members to contact me and tell me what, in their opinion, we need to do to revitalize NGRA. That article first appeared in January; however, it's being reprinted in this newsletter – just because I think it's important to hear from some of those who used to be more active (than they are now) to get their thoughts on NGRA and their opinions on what we need to do to make it as great as I believe it can be.

Now, I'm going to expand that request to all members, past, present, and those who may be future members. I'm also expanding it to everybody that has an opinion on NGRA, whether they've ever been a member or not. Who knows, it may be somebody's perception about NGRA that is preventing them from joining, and being more active. I want to hear from those people too.

At a recent meeting, the Board asked me to put together a 2 to 3-hour retreat where we can discuss those issues that are important to people and are needed to ensure NGRA is meeting the expectations of its members and the local community. I'm still working on the date, and location, for the retreat but once I have those selected, it will be open to all NGRA Members.

I'm asking for inputs and I'd like your inputs to fit into 1 of 3 categories:

- things NGRA needs to Start Doing;
- things NGRA needs to Stop Doing, and
- things NGRA needs to do differently.

When you submit your replies, please identify which of the three categories, your idea falls into as well as a brief explanation, regarding why you feel the way you do.

Once I get all the topics sent to me, I'll consolidate similar thoughts and will try to put together a few notes to help us discuss the submissions. No serious submission will be ignored and I will try to consolidate the submissions into topics of discussion, rather than reading individual emails.

Please send all of your topics to NGRA_Retreat@cox.net. I promise you complete anonymity, as I'm the only one who knows the password to this email account. Feel free to submit whatever you'd like, just please keep them serious. Finally, I really hope that everybody reading this will submit their ideas. I understand that not everybody can make the meetings but this is your chance to help make NGRA as great as we all want it to be.

Ken Hruby
NGRA President
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Member of the Month

Brian Porras

Brian Porras was nominated as April Member of the Month for his support of NGRA fundraising events over the months.

Congratulations and thanks to Brian.

Editors Bits and Pieces

As the city gets hotter remember to take some time indoors and pen a letter to us about anything to do with NGRA.

Barry J Jones
Newsletter Editor
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From Your Volunteer Coordinator

Those of you who have not been visiting Outer Mongolia for the last 6 months will know that again this year Las Vegas hosts the IGRA World Finals. Running from October 21 to 23 these will again be held in the South Point Hotel and Casino. More details will be available soon but put these dates in your diary.

If you wish to volunteer for this event, please go to:

<http://www.igra-wgrf.com/index.php/rodeo/volunteer>

and fill in the online application form.

Many of you will also know that this is also the Pride weekend. Your Board has decided that NGRA will enter a float for the Pride Parade but will not be volunteering at the Festival. This will leave us all free to give our full support to Finals. If you wish to volunteer to help construct the float, please contact:

volunteers@ngra.com

If you are not a natural DIY person don't worry. We can use all your talents, practical and artistic, to produce a float to surpass last year's wonderful effort. Matt Todd will again be leading the construction effort. (And I shall probably be making chili again.)

Volunteer Coordinator
Carolyn Jones
volunteers@ngra.com

Fundraising

WOW. May has come and gone. What a great month with Shows and a Car Wash that was off the hook.

With Music and Sun and lots and lots of Cars, Trucks and Vans from Rakeman Air. What a great team that got all their service vans cleaned - www.rakemanair.com - tell them Kitty sent ya for a great deal. Also would like to thank you Chris Psaila, owner and designer of Marco Marco Under Wear for being one of the Sponsors with swimwear and hot models that washed cars all day.

A huge big hug and thank you thank you to Wes Williams, owner of Get Booked for getting all that talent together and bringing Marco Marco to us and letting us use your water. I think a night time car wash is in order – hummmm.

Thanks also to QuadZ – David and Daniel who kept busy all day slinging cocktails and giving big to NGRA.

Now to Ken, David, Tory, Miles, Jake, AC, George, and all the folks that helped wash a couple of cars or stayed THE WHOLE DAY. It is nice to see folks just to step in and wash the cars in the 90 degrees that day.

To the Board and members who came to get a car washed or just put cash in the bucket or to take pictures and give support – Thank you.

Then a Dance Party at Charlie's. Remember we have the 2nd Saturday each month, if you can't make one of the day events try to come to one of our monthly bar events.

June 25th is Video Game Night @ the Phoenix. Build a team play a game, Beer Bust and Raffles.

It is my goal to have more options for the community to support an NGRA event in the day or night on a Friday or a Saturday and once a month on Sunday for a free brunch @ the Spotlight.

Opening June 3rd, a new Bar called The Locker Room on 700 East Naples in the Fruit Loop next to 7-Eleven. I am planning to organize events there so check it out.

So much to do and not enough vodka to do it with.

Marcus Grissom
Fundraising Director
fundraising@ngra.com

Trustee's News

IGRA BOD MTG Palm Springs 5-6-2016.

President, Bruce Gros

Mary Honeycutt is the new IGRA Convention Chair.

NGRA needs to solicit a participant to be on the IGRA PR Committee.

IGRA Directors need to prepare for the added responsibilities that come with being a charitable organization if our application is approved.

All 12 rodeos on the 2016 calendar are expected to happen. There are 17 rodeos on the calendar for 2017, which includes the first rodeo for KSGRA. CSGRA is planning a rodeo in 2018, which would make 13 on the calendar at this time.

Bylaws, Rodeo Rules, Animal Welfare, Health & Safety Committees will be asked to look at making the necessary changes to our rules or bylaws to identify ways to better administer our rules to avoid ambiguity, conflict, misinterpretation, etc.

An attempt should be made between individuals to work out personal conflicts without making them IGRA's conflicts. If this cannot be done, the individuals should give each other space to avoid additional conflicts.

Vice President, Jason Bernard

The IGRA Royalty Team has raised \$19,200 to date, which includes monies raised for IGRA, local associations, and IGRA charities. Miles of Smiles, Health Services of North Texas, and Other Options are the IGRA Royalty Team's charities for 2016.

Secretary, Ron Trusley

Associations wishing to provide bids for 2017 or 2018 Convention and 2018 University should provide bids by June 20th. Also, if an association wishes to host one of the IGRA BOD meetings, they should contact the IGRA Secretary by this date. DSRA has expressed interest to host University in 2018; GSGRA is exploring the idea of hosting IGRA Convention in 2017.

Associations were reminded of the requirements to have rodeos approved. The rule changed last year and there is now 14 days before a board meeting in addition to the 6 month and prior to convention requirements.

Treasurer, David Hill

No questions were posed regarding the financials.

IGRA Administrative Assistant, Tommy Channel

Membership is currently 1288; last year, it was 1574. These numbers include those who belong to multiple associations.

IGRA Corporate Auditor, Ed Barry

Report was presented by President Gros. There were no irregularities noted.

Committee Reports

Interest has been expressed by various regions to start associations, which includes Mexico.

There has been a lot of positive feedback to have an IGRA Dance Competition.

Grand Marshals for WGRF were presented: Ed Barry for IGRA Grand Marshal; Matt Livadary for Honorary Grand Marshal; John Garska & Kevin Barnett for Community Hero Grand Marshal.

WGRF is reviewing venues for 2017 and 2018 and they hope to have recommendations by the next board meeting in Denver.

WGRF is looking for associations to place an ad in the program for only \$100. The deadline is August 1st. They are also looking for buckle sponsorships, which are \$350 each.

December 23rd is the deadline for IGRA University host hotel, which is Alexis Park. Katrina Davenport has a fundraiser planned, "Gravity is a B*tch".

The Hall of Fame inductees have been selected and confirmed for 2016.

There is a Facebook page for current and past association presidents for the Association Presidents Committee.

Funds were granted to NMGRA and ARGRA in division two for rodeo school support.

NSGRA would appreciate any help from member associations to sponsor their rodeo.

Executive BOD Meeting

Access to certain parts of the restricted area on the IGRA website will be extended to association presidents and secretaries as needed.

Nominations for the Wayne Jakino Western Lifestyle Award will be extended until July 6th in time for the July 8th BOD meeting.

Guy Puglisi
Trustee
trustee@ngra.com

Historian's Update

Usually when you think of an Historian you think of a dusty, befuddled, old man surrounded by a lot of dusty old uninteresting documents. In this case the first part is true, but not the second. One step above the Historian is the Secretary who simply writes down what everyone else says in a meeting, writes letters and sends out the mail. And then there is the Treasurer who keeps track of the money, writes the checks and with who everyone gets upsets with when he, or she, tells them we don't have any money to do that.

That is the common perception. In other organizations I have severed in all three of these capacities and nothing could be further from the truth.

I knew and still know little about the NGRA and felt that if I volunteered to be Historian I would be able to learn a lot more about how this unique organization works. And it is a very unique organization. For one it is all volunteers from various walks of life, which is not all that unusual. Second, the majority have a sexual orientation which is not "mainstream", we're gay. And third we work to present a uniquely Americana event which most of us have never participated in, seen until we joined and not expected by the general public to be involved in. We do Gay Rodeo. Who in Rochester, New York could ever conceive such an idea?

But here we are and here we are going to stay.

Back to the Historian thing. One's history is not about the past, but about the present and the present is only a micro second long. And we can get a very good idea of what the present was by reading the minutes of the Secretary and the financial records of the Treasurer. And what do they tell us. They tell us what things we did that did or did not work. How we met the difficulties that confronted us, and how well we were able to confront them. We learned those of people who did what they said they would do and those who did not. Of those who were successful in their obligations and those who were not.

And the past (history) is present at each and every meeting, event and discussion we have. Who came and did what they said they would do? How successful and complete was their planning? Was that financial goal was met? After all we are working to produce a rodeo.

At this time of the term of the President of the United States, he works to establish his legacy. He tries to tie up the loose ends and complete the objectives he had set for himself and our nation in the hopes of establishing his legacy as an "accomplishment". So what is the legacy of each of each of us for this organization? Are we supporting it with our presence at its events and meetings? Are we doing what we said we would do? Are we working together as a unit towards a common goal? Are we encouraging others to join us?

What will be our legacy? What will be my legacy? What will be your legacy? The present is a micro second and quickly becomes history and history is forever.

David C Wright
Historian
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Happy Birthday

To those Members with birthdays in June:

2	Stewart Black
2	Jodi Toll
3	Kip Kipilla
4	Johnny Bob Dalton
14	Ken Wong
15	Marcus Grissom
17	Jason Dyer
17	David Hering
20	David Wright
22	Richard Armstrong
27	Chris Due
27	Michael Yarbrough
29	Shawna Payntier

Welcome to the NGRA Corral

Gene Dockins
Max Smith

Join Us June 1st

"BEACH BLANKET"

L A S V E G A S

PRIDE

F A M I L Y

B I N G O

Great Prizes!

**Wear your best Beachwear
and enter our costume contest.
Best Costume and Best Group**

6:00pm Alexis Park- www.lasvegaspride.org



**NGRA and HomoRodeo.com
Present a night of**

Boots & Briefs



The Las Vegas Eagle

**Friday June 3rd
9 to 11 pm**

3430 E Tropicana Ave Suite 47, Las Vegas, NV 89121

**Models by
HomoRodeo.com
Raffles • Auction
Show**



NEVADA GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION



HEE HAW NIGHT



Saturday, June 11th • 9pm

**Come as your best Hee Haw TV Character or Group.
Prizes for best Single Outfit, Group Outfit, and Performance.
Beer Bust & Raffles**

Charlie's
Las Vegas

5012 Arville St, Ste 4; Las Vegas NV 89118

**Leather
CHURCH**

4pm to 8pm

Beer Bust
\$5 Domestic \$8 Premium
Jello Shots

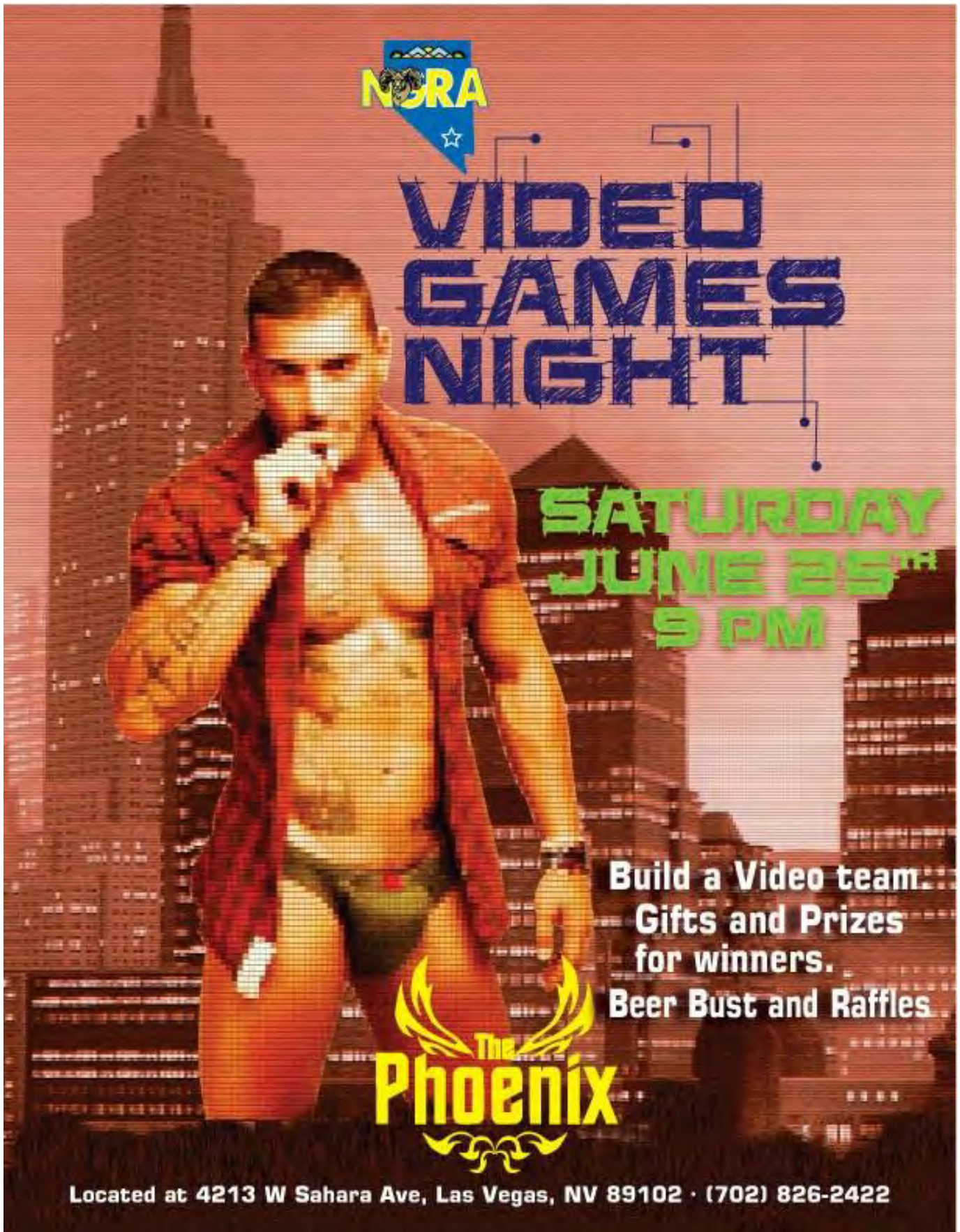
Second Sunday
of Every Month

Raffles, Demonstrations,
& Bootblacking

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Charlie's
Las Vegas

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NORA

**VIDEO
GAMES
NIGHT**

**SATURDAY
JUNE 25TH
9 PM**

**Build a Video team.
Gifts and Prizes
for winners.
Beer Bust and Raffles**

**The
Phoenix**

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Join Us July 6th

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Great Prizes!

Be **PROUD!** Show your Spirit -
Decorate your favorite hat -
Red White and Blue!
Most creative hat !
Best use of **Red**, White
and **Blue!** Funniest hat!



6:00pm Alexis Park- www.lasvegaspride.org



USO SHOW



SATURDAY, JULY 9TH • 9PM



Charlie's
Las Vegas

Join NGRA for a fun afternoon of bowling.

**Sunday,
August 28th**

**Fun Starts at Noon
Prizes for best team
and single.**

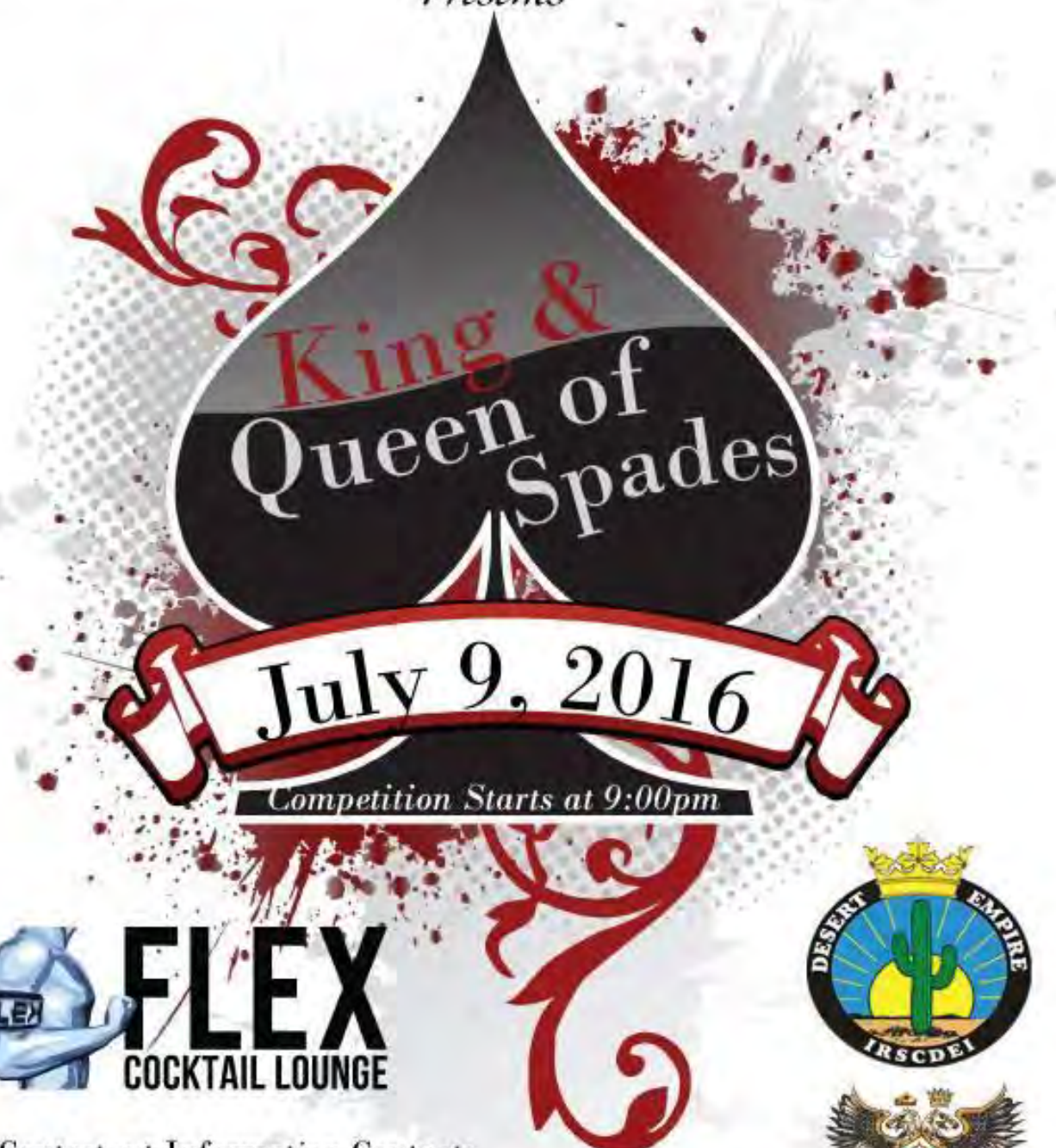
**Individuals Pay for bowling
and shoe rental –
no discount pricing.**



Become a member
of NGRA at
www.NGRA.com



*The Imperial Royal Sovereign Court of the Desert Empire
Presents*



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All proceeds benefit Reign 18 Charities

Join Us August 3rd

"Yellow Brick Road"

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We are celebrating "The Wizard of OZ"
dress up as your favorite "OZ" character.
Best Costume and Best Group



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Calendar

June

Wed 1	6:00 pm	Las Vegas Pride "Happy Hour"	Alexis Park All-Suite Resort, 375 East Harmon Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89169
	7:00 pm	Las Vegas Pride Family Bingo Beach Blanket Bingo	
Fri 3	9:00 pm	Boots & Briefs	Las Vegas Eagle, 3430 East Tropicana Avenue, Suite 47, Las Vegas, NV 89121
Sat 4		Homo Rodeo Auction of Outfits	Spotlight Lounge, 975 East Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89104
	10:30 pm	Men of Charlie's Man of the Month Contest Benefits The Sin City Sisters	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
Sat 11	9:00 pm	Hee Haw Night	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
	9:00 pm	½ Show IRSCDE Inc. Event	Flex Cocktail Lounge, 4371 West Charleston Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89102
Sun 12	4:00 pm	Leather Church	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
Sat 18	10:00 pm	Sister's Oink Night	Fun Hog Ranch, 495 East Twain Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89169
Mon 20	6:30 pm	NGRA Board and General Membership Meeting	Gay & Lesbian Community Center, 401 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89101
Fri 24	4:30 pm	Happy Hour IRSCDE Inc. Event	The Garage, 1487 East Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89119
Fri 24	9:00 pm	Laugh Out Loud	The Locker Room, 700 East Naples Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89119
Sat 25	9:00 pm	Video Games Night	Phoenix Bar & Lounge, 4213 West Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89102
Sun 26	Noon	Meet & Greet	Spotlight Lounge, 975 East Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89104

Calendar (continued)

July

Sat 2	10:30 pm	Men of Charlie's Man of the Month Contest Benefits The St Therese Center	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
Wed 6	6:00 pm	Las Vegas Pride "Happy Hour"	Alexis Park All-Suite Resort, 375 East Harmon Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89169
	7:00 pm	Las Vegas Pride Family Bingo Red, White and Blue Bingo	
8 - 10		Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo (CGRA)	Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 15200 West 6th Avenue Golden CO 80401
Sat 9	9:00 pm	NGRA/USO Show	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
	9:00 pm	King & Queen of Spades IRSCDE Inc. Event	Flex Cocktail Lounge, 4371 West Charleston Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89102
Sun 10	4:00 pm	Leather Church	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
Fri 15	4:30 pm	Happy Hour IRSCDE Inc. Event	Flex Cocktail Lounge, 4371 West Charleston Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89102
Sat 16	10:00 pm	Sister's Oink Night	Fun Hog Ranch, 495 East Twain Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89169
Mon 18	6:30 pm	NGRA Board and General Membership Meeting	Gay & Lesbian Community Center, 401 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89101
29 - 31		North Star Regional Rodeo (NSGRA)	Dead Broke Arena 5676 170th Street North, Hugo, MN 55038
Sat 30	9:00 pm	Meet the Center	Phoenix Bar & Lounge, 4213 West Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89102

Calendar (continued)

August

Wed 3	6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Las Vegas Pride "Happy Hour" Las Vegas Pride Family Bingo Yellow Brick Road Bingo	Alexis Park All-Suite Resort, 375 East Harmon Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89169
Sat 6	10:30 pm	Men of Charlie's Man of the Month Contest Benefits The Gay and Lesbian Community Center	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
12 - 14		Zia Regional Rodeo	Rodeo De Santa Fe, 3237 Rodeo Road, Santa Fe, NM 87502
Sat 13	9:00 pm	Indoor Rodeo	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
Sun 14	4:00 pm	Leather Church	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
Mon 15	6:30 pm	NGRA Board and General Membership Meeting	Gay & Lesbian Community Center, 401 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89101
Sat 20	10:00 pm	Sister's Oink Night	Fun Hog Ranch, 495 East Twain Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89169
Sun 28	Noon	Bowling	Texas Station, 2101 Texas Star Lane, North Las Vegas, NV 89032

Calendar

Looking ahead to key events

September

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October

Sat 1	9:30 pm	Men of Charlie's Man of the Month Contest Benefits The NGRA	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
21 - 23		World Gay Rodeo Finals	South Point Arena & Equestrian Center, 9777 South Las Vegas Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89183
Fri 21		2016 Pride Parade	4th Street, Downtown, Las Vegas

November

Sat 26	10:30 pm	NGRA 2017 Royalty Competition	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
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December

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January

Sat 14	9:00 pm	Gravity is a Bitch	Pegasus Lounge, Alexis Park All-Suite Resort, 375 East Harmon Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89169
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