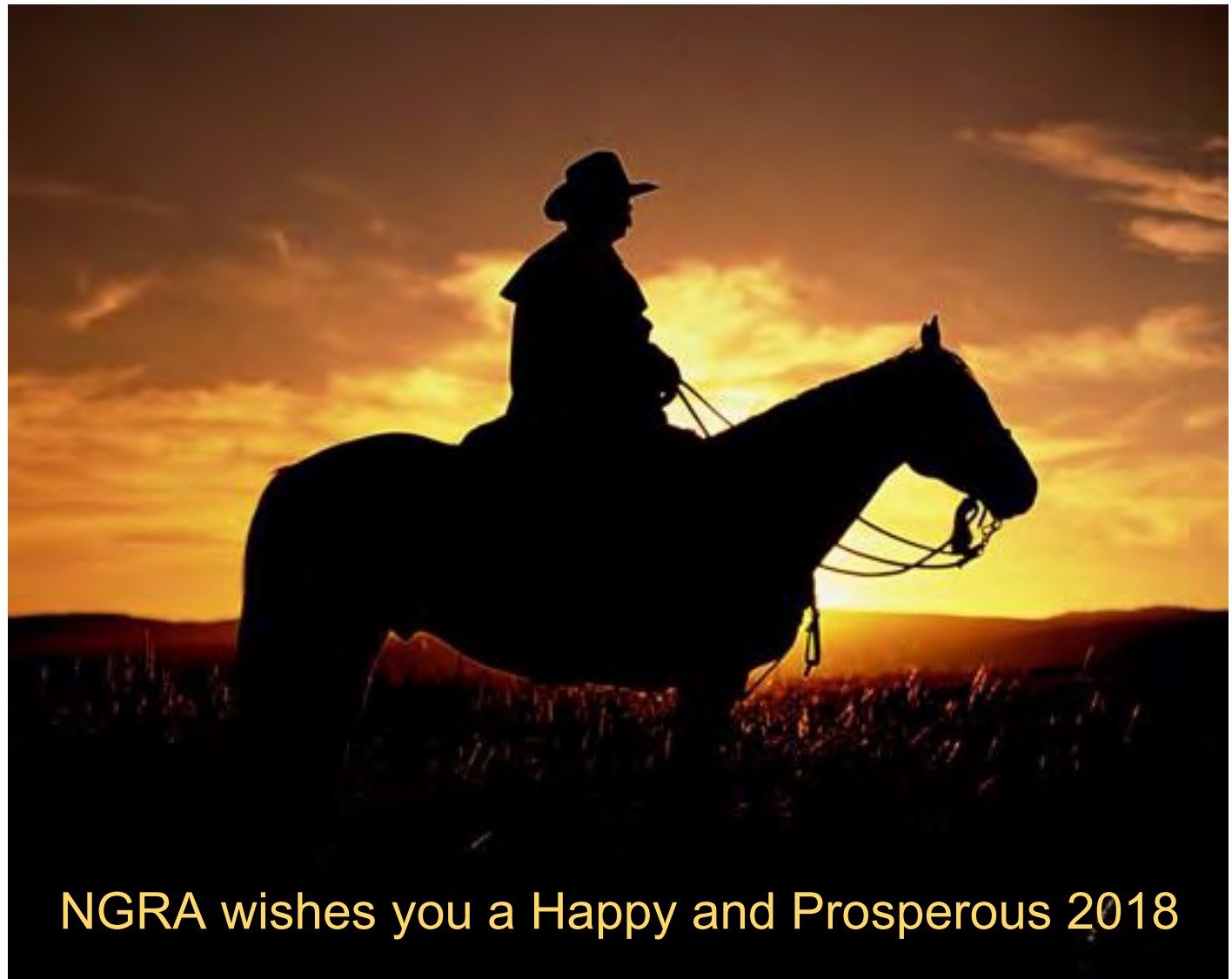




# January 2018 BigHorn Gazette



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## HAPPY NEW YEAR from the President

Hello to all our NGRA members. I have been elected the President for NGRA and am very excited to lead such an outstanding organization and group of members.

I want to say I have seen several longtime members back at our events, thank you. Also, I would like to welcome our new members within the past year. NGRA wants to invite all of you to our Board Meetings and our Events. Check the calendar on our website. We have some positions available if you are interested in participating: Webmaster; Fundraising Director, and Marketing and Public Relations. Please email [president@ngra.com](mailto:president@ngra.com).

We had such an outstanding and beneficial 2017: several new members; loads of fun, and an amazing BigHorn Rodeo. Our Board of Directors, Members and Volunteers from throughout the community joined together to make all this happen.

There is incredible new fun coming in 2018. On February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018, NGRA will hold its **1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL 5D BARREL RACE**. If you ride come on out, if you don't come on out and cheer the riders on. See poster for details. We will also be starting a quarterly **COWBOY BINGO** on February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

To all our members, THANK YOU! NGRA has celebrated 25 years because of you and everything you do or have done over the years. Let's do this for another 25 years plus.

Lastly but not least; I would like to thank Ken Hruby for leading us, for his patience in the ups and downs along with his continued commitment to NGRA and his continued support.

Kathy Alday  
NGRA President  
[president@ngra.com](mailto:president@ngra.com)

## Rodeo & Royalty Retreat

It is January 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> right here in Las Vegas!



Proceeds benefit IGRA and the charities they support along with the new V.I.P Volunteer Incentive Program

4371 W Charleston Blvd, Las Vegas NV 89102



I don't know if you heard, on January 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018, right here in Las Vegas, Phat Patty (Chris Sanders) and Laura Scott, two of our NGRA members, are working with Alina Whorez Cole from Texas and Mr IGRA 2018, Tre Brewbaker, from New Mexico to produce a weekend where you can learn animal husbandry, how to work as a member of Arena Crew, and a Royalty Retreat to see if you ever want to be royalty or want to see what they do.

This is FREE and full of fun and educational information. We look forward to your participation. Below is the schedule. You can attend all events or just what fits in your schedule.

Jan 12 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 pm	Scavenger Hunt	place TBD
Jan 13 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Horse Husbandry	Horseman's Park
	2:30pm	Royalty Retreat	host hotel Arizona Charlie's Boulder Highway
	8:00 pm	Let's Party	Flex
Jan 14 <sup>th</sup>	11:00 am	Brunch	place TBD

There is a BBQ lunch the 13<sup>th</sup> for a \$5 donation.

You can contact Phat Patty (Chris Sanders) and Laura Scott if you have any questions about this weekend.



Presentation of Checks to Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth and Windy's Ranch & Rescue



NGRA would like to invite you to join the 2018 Rodeo Planning Committee. We are looking for Postions to be filled for our 2018 BigHorn Rodeo

They are;

- Non-Cow Assistant Rodeo Director
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Vendor Coordinator
- Beverage Coordinator
- Entertainment Coordinator

If you have the slightest interest or would like to know more about BigHorn Rodeo you can contact Brenda Alday Rodeo Director - BigHorn Rodeo [brendalalday@gmail.com](mailto:brendalalday@gmail.com)



CHOICE



Brenda Alday  
Rodeo Director  
[rodeodirector@ngra.com](mailto:rodeodirector@ngra.com)



**Support Nevada Gay Rodeo Association (NGRA) every time you shop at Smith's.**

**Signing up is free and easy!**

1. Go to [SmithsFoodandDrug.com/inspire](http://SmithsFoodandDrug.com/inspire)
2. Sign into your digital account or choose "Create an Account" and fill in the information.
3. Link your Rewards Card to your organization: Enter your organization's number "RN731" or at least 3 letters of your organization's name and click 'Search', select the organization and choose 'Save'.

Then, every time you shop at Smith's with your Rewards Card, they donate 0.5% of your total order to our nonprofit.\*

**Helpful Information**

**What purchases qualify?**

Just about everything you purchase during your regular shopping trips! The only exclusions are alcohol, tobacco, postage stamps, Smith's Gift Cards, re-loadable Gift Cards and debit cards, lottery and promotional tickets, Western Union, fuel and sales tax.

Remember, there's no cost to participate in this program, and you'll still earn fuel points on eligible purchases every time you shop.

\*0.5% based on eligible purchases. See Helpful Information for exclusions.



## Happy Birthday

To those Members with birthdays in January:

1	Ted Caldwell
3	Kaaimalani Espiritu
6	Ken Wells
10	Jeffrey Neal
15	Bill Trunzo
23	Shannon Plucker

## Welcome to the NGRA Corral

Ryan McPherson  
Jason Metzger

## Member of the Month

Doug Graff

Doug Graff was nominated as November Member of the Month for his work on the Royalty Competition.

Congratulations and thanks to Doug.

## NGRA's Election for the 2018 Board of Directors

President	–	Kathy Alday
Vice President	–	Chris Due
Treasurer	–	David Hering
Secretary	–	Christopher Sanders
Trustee	–	Jeffrey Neal
Director	–	David Wright

## From Your Volunteer Coordinator

Since I began work as your Volunteer Coordinator in 2012 I have had the pleasure and privilege to work with many enthusiastic, dedicated and above all friendly people from all over the gay rodeo community as they volunteered to help NGRA achieve its goals. As we start a new year with new challenges and, hopefully, new rewards, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has helped NGRA develop and flourish in the past and to encourage you all to get involved as much as you can in the year ahead. Time is a precious commodity, but time spent with others helping the community is time well spent. I thank you all and wish you a very Happy and Prosperous 2018.



Carolyn Jones  
Volunteer Coordinator  
[volunteers@ngra.com](mailto:volunteers@ngra.com)





**Buy Better Underwear**

**=**

**Get a Better Boyfriend!!**

**GET BOOKED**

4640 Paradise Road Las Vegas, NV 89169  
702-737-7780  
www.GetBooked.com

## Benefits of being a Member of NGRA

*Charlie's*  
Las Vegas

25% off 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 Members get 10% off on Full Price Items.

Las Vegas PRIDE and Alexis Park All Suite Resort  
Presents

L A S V E G A S

# PRIDE

## WHEEL OF FORTUNE

### FAMILY

**B I N G O**

Hosted by Vegas PRIDE Royalty and Ginger Grant

# January 3, 2018

\*Bingo starts Promptly at 6:30pm Zeus Ballroom  
\$10.00 11 Game Bingo Packet- Including Cover All Game  
Raffle Tickets 10 for \$5.00 Monthly Auctions  
Birthday Celebration and Costume Contest

Alexis Park All Suite Resort- 375 Harmon Avenue, Las Vegas Nevada 89169  
Lots of FREE Parking - More Information- [www.LasVegasPRIDE.org](http://www.LasVegasPRIDE.org)

Logos at the bottom include: Alexis Park, Divas, Chippendales, MGM RESORTS, HUMAN NATURE, Penguin, Charlie's, SPI, Tropicana SUNDAYS, BLUE MAN GROUP, Mad France's, The Cupcake, LUXOR, THUNDER DOWN UNDER, ZUMANITY, QUIZ, SLAY LIGHT, eili, Madame Tussauds, NEW YORK NEW YORK, and others.

Las Vegas, NV

# RODEO & ROYALTY RETREAT



HOSTED BY ALINA WHOREZ COLE, LAURA SCOTT,  
PHAT PATTY AND TRE BREWBAKER

## JANUARY 12-14

- Jan 12th - Scavenger Hunt
- Jan 13th - Animal Husbandry, Arena Crew  
Set-up, BBQ, Royalty 101,  
IGRA Show at Flex
- Jan 14th - Brunch

**Arizona Charlie's**  
Boulder  
HOST HOTEL



Learn the Fundamentals of

ROYALTY 101

ANIMAL HUSBANDRY

*Arena Set-Up*

CWGRLUPNTX@YAHOO.COM

FACEBOOK RODEO RETREAT WEEKEND



**Leather  
CHURCH**

4pm to 8pm

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

Second Sunday  
of Every Month

Raffles, Demonstrations,  
& Bootblacking

**LAS VEGAS**  
Leather.org

*Charlie's*  
Las Vegas

**LUC OF LV**  
LUCOFLV.COM



# SNOW DAY IN THE COUNTRY

## January 27th

Cocktails start at 8:00 pm.  
Entertainment starts at 9:00 pm.



There will be bags of "Snowballs", to throw at the entertainers, for \$5.00.



### FLEX

COCKTAIL LOUNGE

For more information about NGRA go to [www.NGRA.com](http://www.NGRA.com)

4371 W Charleston Blvd Las Vegas, NV 702•878•3355  
Proceeds benefit NGRA and BigHorn Rodeo





**1st Annual**  
**BIGHORN RODEO 5D**  
**BARREL RACE**  
**FEBRUARY 24<sup>TH</sup> 2018**

**\$50 ENTRY FEE + \$5 DIRT FEE TOTAL \$55 | 80/20 SPLIT**  
**80% PRIZE MONEY | 20% NGRA FOR BIGHORN RODEO**

**REGISTRATION 9AM — START TIME: 10AM**

HENDERSON SADDLE ASSOCIATION | 6490 WIESNER WAY  
HENDERSON, NV 89011 | [WWW.NGRA.COM](http://WWW.NGRA.COM)



www.NGRA.com



# A NIGHT OF COUNTRY DUETS

## Drag Roulette Edition Saturday, February 24th



Entertainers will not know their duet partner nor their song.

Drink Specials, Raffles, and Entertainment, Cocktails Start at 8:00 pm. Entertainment Starts at 9:00 pm.



# FLEX

COCKTAIL LOUNGE

4371 W Charleston Blvd Las Vegas, NV  
702 • 878 • 3355

Proceeds benefit NGRA and BigHorn Rodeo



# COWBOY



**BINGO**

11	35			
8	23	65	5	13
45	12	7	28	27
	39	19		33
		5		

Colorful bingo balls with letters B, I, N, G, O are scattered around the card.

\$8 Beer Bust from 6 to 8 pm.  
 Great Raffles  
 Bingo Starts at 6:30 pm.  
 Bingo Cards: \$10 per pack.

## February 28th

www.NGRA.com



# QUADZ

VIDEO BAR

4640 Paradise Rd. Las Vegas, NV 89169  
702-733-0383

Proceeds Benefit NGRA and BigHorn Rodeo





**THE GONG SHOW**

**SATURDAY MARCH 24TH**

Cocktails Start at 8:00 pm.  
 Entertainment Starts at 9:00 pm  
 Drink Specials, Raffles,  
 and Entertainment

[www.NGRA.com](http://www.NGRA.com)

**FLEX**  
 COCKTAIL LOUNGE

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 Proceeds benefit NGRA and BigHorn Rodeo

**\$5 entry fee to compete in the "Gong Show." Winner will walk away with a fabulous prize.**



# Calendar

## January

Wed 3	6:00 pm 6:30 pm	Las Vegas Pride "Happy Hour" Las Vegas Pride Family Bingo Wheel of Fortune Bingo	Alexis Park All-Suite Resort, 375 East Harmon Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89169
Sat 6	9:30 pm	Men of Charlie's Man of the Month Contest	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
Wed 10	7:00 pm	<b>Rodeo Planning Committee Meeting</b>	<b>Food Court, Orleans Casino, 4500 West Tropicana Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89103</b>
Fri 12	7:00 pm	<b>Scavenger Hunt</b>	<b>Place TBD</b>
<b>12 – 14</b>		<b>IGRA University Cancelled</b>	<b>Oklahoma City, OK</b>
Sat 13	9:00 am	Horse Husbandry	Horseman's Park, 5800 East Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89122
	2:30 pm	Royalty Retreat	Arizona Charlie's (host hotel), 4575 Boulder Highway, Las Vegas, NV 89121
	8:00 pm	Let's Party	Flex Cocktail Lounge, 4371 West Charleston Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89102
Sun 14	11:00 am	Brunch	Place TBD
Sun 14	4:00 pm	Leather Church	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
Tue 16	6:30 pm	<b>NGRA Board and General Membership Meeting</b>	<b>Gay &amp; Lesbian Community Center, 401 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89101</b>
Sat 20	10:00 pm	Sister's Oink Night	Fun Hog Ranch, 495 East Twain Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89169
Sat 27	9:00 pm	<b>Snow Day in the Country</b>	<b>Flex Cocktail Lounge, 4371 West Charleston Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89102</b>

Note the rescheduled date for the NGRA Board and General Membership Meeting.

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# Calendar (continued)

## February

Sat 3	9:30 pm	Men of Charlie's Man of the Month Contest	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
<b>Fri 9</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>	<b>Fundraising Meeting</b>	<b>Food Court, Orleans Casino, 4500 West Tropicana Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89103</b>
Sun 11	4:00 pm	Leather Church	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
<b>Wed 14</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Rodeo Planning Committee Meeting</b>	<b>Food Court, Orleans Casino, 4500 West Tropicana Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89103</b>
16 – 18		Arizona Gay Rodeo	Corona Ranch, 7611 South 29 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Laveen, AZ 85339
Sat 17	10:00 pm	Sister's Oink Night	Fun Hog Ranch, 495 East Twain Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89169
<b>Tue 20</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>	<b>NGRA Board and General Membership Meeting</b>	<b>Gay &amp; Lesbian Community Center, 401 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89101</b>
Sat 24	9:00 am	1 <sup>st</sup> Annual BigHorn Rodeo 5D Barrel Race	Henderson Saddle Association, 6490 Wiesner Way, Henderson, NV 89011
	9:00 pm	A Night of Country Duets – Drag Roulette Edition	Flex Cocktail Lounge, 4371 West Charleston Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89102
<b>Wed 28</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>	<b>Cowboy Bingo</b>	<b>QuadZ Video Bar, 4640 Paradise Rd, Las Vegas, NV 89169</b>

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### March

Sat 3	9:30 pm	Men of Charlie's Man of the Month Contest	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
Sun 11	4:00 pm	Leather Church	Charlie's, 5012 South Arville Street, Las Vegas, NV 89118
<b>Wed 14</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Rodeo Planning Committee Meeting</b>	<b>Food Court, Orleans Casino, 4500 West Tropicana Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89103</b>
<b>Mon 19</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>	<b>NGRA Board and General Membership Meeting</b>	<b>Gay &amp; Lesbian Community Center, 401 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89101</b>
Sat 17	10:00 pm	Sister's Oink Night	Fun Hog Ranch, 495 East Twain Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89169
<b>Sat 24</b>	<b>9:00 pm</b>	<b>The Gong Show</b>	<b>Flex Cocktail Lounge, 4371 West Charleston Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89102</b>

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# Calendar

## Looking ahead to key events

### October

<b>25 – 28</b>	<b>World Gay Rodeo Finals</b>	<b>Denton, Texas</b>
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**Note the change of venue for World Gay Rodeo Finals.**

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# NGRA Board of Directors

## Effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

NGRA Board		<a href="mailto:ngrabod@ngra.com">ngrabod@ngra.com</a>
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# NGRA 2018 Royalty

## Effective November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017

NGRA Royalty Team		<a href="mailto:royaltyteam@ngra.com">royaltyteam@ngra.com</a>
Miss NGRA	Christina Halliwell	<a href="mailto:missngra2018@ngra.com">missngra2018@ngra.com</a>

# Committee Chairs

Effective October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017

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PR / Marketing Director	Open Seat	<a href="mailto:pr@ngra.com">pr@ngra.com</a>
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