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Diamond State Rodeo Association

February, 1997

PRESIDENTS REPORT

There are a lot of things going on at DSRA the next two months. Lots of planning and preparations for the Rodeo. Lots of cash to be raised in order to pay for the rodeo, lots of coordination to make the rodeo run smoothly. Lots of house cleaning to be done for Thursday night open house for the incoming contestants and officials. This is just another gentle reminder of how important the donation of your time is to the success of DSRA.

Many thanks to John L and Steve M for the many hours spent getting our financial records in order for Uncle Sam. From now on every other word out of John's mouth will be "do you have a receipt for that?"

As of the last general membership meeting, Janeice C had to resign as treasurer because of work obligations. I appointed John L to be temporary treasurer

until an official vote can be made at the February 21st meeting. I know I'm hoping John will keep this position at least through its term end in August.

One little personal note I'd like to add. The DSRA, From its conception, has always been and always will be an organization for men and women. Some of you guys have been have been kind of scarce as of late. I hope there are no hard feelings because of there being more women board members than ever or the overwhelming participation of the women. I personally feel it would be a shame for us to become sexist at this point when we are all suppose to be in this together. We everyone's support to continue DSRA's magical success in the community.

Thanks,

Julie



SPADES TOURNAMENT

OK, where are all the spades players? The DSRA has started up the Spades Tournament once a month for all you fanatics and/or those that want to be. It's not hard but it does provide an excellent opportunity to exercise your mind and socialize. It's always held on Friday nights and the play begins promptly at 7:30 PM. If you get there late you could end up watching. Bring three (3) dollars for the pot. The high score gets 50% of the pot, Second high score gets 30% of the pot, and the third high score gets 20% of the pot. The next two scheduled nights are Friday. February 28th and Friday, March 28th. Call John in the evenings at 664-6527 if you have questions or want some instructions prior to HAS ANYONE playing. SEEN OR KNOW THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE LIGHT TAN BRIEF CASE WITH THE TOURNAMENT SHEETS AND CARDS? CALL JOHN IF YOU HAVE!

LEATHER/ LEVI NIGHTS

The DSRA sponsors Leather/Levi nights once a month to give the Men and Women in the community who enjoy Leather/Levi the opportunity to socialize. make contacts, and enjoy each others company. To the point most Leather/Levi nights have totally male events. As such all activities have been geared and will remain geared towards men. This will only change when and if a significant number of women show they wish to participate. We plan to increase entertainment on Leather/Levi clubs, and surprise activities. This will depend on continued support an attendance. The next Leather/Levi nights are Saturday, March 1 and Saturday March 29, 1997. JOIN US!!!

ANGELS IN AMERICA, PART II, PERESTROIKA

The Ryan White Center is sponsoring Angels In America, Part II, Perestroika, Preview show on Wednesday, March 12, 1997. This is an excellent

The next Lariat deadline is March 14th. If you are interested in submitting an article for publication, please contact Mike at 666-3706.

opportunity to support a worthwhile HIV/AIDS charity and see the foremost play on AIDS. Please take a moment and read the beautiful color flyer that is included with this Lariat. There will be ample opportunity to enjoy inexpensive drinks, great hors d'oeuvres, look over and purchase AIDS related items and just enjoy the evening. No need to dress up, be who you are. YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT IS NEEDED!!

DINING FOR LIFE

All the HIV/AIDS charities have joined together again this year to sponsor Dining For Life 97. You needed only eat out for lunch and/or diner at your favorite participating restaurant on Friday March 14th, 1997. Old World Pizza is participating and it just so happens have agreed to host a DSRA Rodeo night that evening. Your favorite cowboy and cowgirls will be waiting tables with all tips going to the Rodeo In The Rock 97. So you can get two birds with one stone! Help all the charities and the DSRA. MARK THOSE CALENDARS!!!

IGRA CONVENTION

Now is the time to start thinking about Salt Lake City and the upcoming IGRA convention the last weekend in July 1997. It's vitally important to the DSRA that we have full delegation. Besides it's great time, lots of FUN, and you learn so much about how we function within the IGRA. Salt Lake City, believe it or not, has a large Lesbian and Gay population with great Bars and Restaurants. Please try to schedule your time and take some of those vacation days so you can go. The DSRA will try to raise enough money so that we can pay all the registration fees for everyone who attends. Call John Lowe at 664-6527 for more details. We should have all info in a couple of months. DSRA Board Members really need to attend this convention, so plan accordingly.

wanting to go out with you since I read that stuff on the bathroom wall two years ago."

RODEO REPORT

As of this printing, it is only 65 days until Rodeo in the Rock '97. AII the preparations have been made - live stock - arena officials - etc The next step will be arranging for volunteers. I will be placing volunteer sign up sheets at the clubhouse around the first of March. Please come down and see where you can help. We need ticket sellers, security, bartenders and people to spend the night at the arena to watch out for the horses. Many, many hours of volunteer time is needed, please do all you can - you will receive discounts on your rodeo package tickets and in some cases - such as arena crewvou whole weekend package is free.

We still have several belt buckle sponsorships available. A sponsorship is \$175.00. This can be done by a business, individual, or as a group. Please consider a buckle sponsorship, with it you receive a business card size ad in the program and multiple announcements during the rodeo. If you would like to sponsor a buckle anonymously, that can be arranged also.

Program ad rates range from \$50 for a business car ad to \$350 for a full page. And the ultimate donation is the perfect stone package With a \$1000 donation, you will receive a full page ad in the program, buckle and added purse sponsorship, arena banner, rodeo weekend tickets and multiple announcements during the rodeo. Half karat perfect stones are also available for \$500.

Please mark your calendars for April 24-27th and volunteer as much as you can. DSRA needs **you** to make a rodeo successful. Do you remember that all profits from the rodeo go to help our four local AIDS service organizations? Last year we were ale to donate \$8000 to these organizations. Lets make it more this year!!!

Nominations for Grand Marshall will be taken at the February 21st general membership meeting. Please remember nominees should be someone who has made a commitment to our community and represents what DSRA stands for.

March 22nd is approaching quickly for the next silent auction. The proceeds from

this auction will go to Rodeo in the Rock '97. Please go around your community and see what business' are willing to donate gift certificates or any other items.

Julie

Ask Mona

SB. Hay Mona, I always enjoyed the Events report and the Royalty report in the Lariat. They gave a complete and colorful view of the DSRA. I've missed them in the last few issues of the Lariat.

Mona Well SB, The most desirable newsletter articles for the Lariat are from the President, Vice president, Rodeo Director, Trustee, Events, Royalty, etc. etc. in other words all the Board members. However historically the Board Members are the most productive, and the busiest members in the DSRA. They are always doing something for the good of DSRA. Perhaps the Events chair and the Royalty have been too busy to write articles for the Lariat. After all the Board Members have private lives as well as working for a living. I just don't know. I haven't heard mane nor tail

The next general membership meeting is February 21st at 9 PM, at the new DSRA Clubhouse. Your attendance is needed and greatly appreciated. Please attend.

from them. Perhaps they will find the time in future Lariats.

SB. I might add that articles are not limited to Board members only. Every DSRA member has a voice, and every DSRA member can have that voice heard by writing and submitting an article for the Lariat. Speak up and be heard. There are many ways to submit articles to the Lariat. E-Mail through AOL to MIKE4DSRA, mailed to the DSRA Clubhouse -> address is published in the Lariat. Mailed to the Public Relations home -> call him for the address. And finally Faxed to Public Relations home, again call for the number. By the way the Public Relations Chair told me that long articles are subject to be shortened just a little to fit in the space available. Rarely does this happen, but it does happen. Deadlines for newsletter articles are published in the Lariat and posted on the DSRA events calendar.

Speak up DSRA.



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Is your household receiving two Lariats?
Let us know!!!
"Save the DSRA a few bucks."
DSRA please combine the following
names on your mailing list:
Name #1
Name #2
Address

DIAMOND STATE RODEO ASSOCIATION 1996-1997 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Cheryl's Quotes

The most intense love of my life Has come from a place That I was taught Not to expect or receive it. Where in yours.

Latino Alight
showing

Bloria Estafan's

"Dideo on Tour"

Friday, March 7th 9pm until 12 mn

Salsa & Chips, \$1 Coronas, \$1 Margarita's, \$1 specialty shots.



Sponsored By Cheryl

Diamond State Rodeo Association FY 1996-97 Financial Report RODEO ACCOUNT January 1, 1997-February 17, 1997

Bank St	atement Balance 01/31/97		\$ 1,506.38
Deposits	02/03/97	3,322.50	4,828.88
7,635,83	02/12/97	78.00	4,906.88
	02/17/97	350.00	\$ 5,256.88
Checks	Written:		
# 1151	Diamond Charter and Tours	50.00	
# 1152	Ms. Julie Williams	272.72	
# 1153	U.S. Postmaster	137.00	
# 1154	Screen Creations	350.00	
# 3000	IGRA Rodeo Insurance	70.00	
# 3001	IGRA Rodeo Sanction Fee	500.00	
	Total Che	cks Written	(\$1,379.72)
RODE	O ACCOUNT BALANCE	02/17/97	\$ 3,877.16

I would like to express my gratitude to Steve Mitchell (Trustee) for his invaluable assistance in getting our 95/96 Tax Forms researched and completed in time for our February 15, 1997 extension deadline. PLEASE do ask for a check unless you have a receipt or an invoice. Many days were spent trying to find receipts for our taxes. We still haven't found them all!

I will try to keep up with the DSRA accounts as your new treasurer but I do need your help. Keeping accurate sign-in sheets and data accounting sheets for the Clubhouse is very important. Particularly for memberships! Also PLEASE give me all deposits so I can keep accurate records.

I need two enthusiastic volunteers to help me during the Rodeo. Call me at 664-6527 if you are interested.

John Lowe

SEE OTHER SIDE FOR GENERAL ACCOUNT INFORMATION

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Bank Statement Balance 01/31/97 \$ 7,356.83							
Deposits:	02/03/97 02/03/97 02/12/97	25	1.00 58.00 26.00	7,377.83 7.635.83 \$ 8,261.83			
Checks Written:							
# 1111 # 1112 # 1113 # 1114 # 1115 # 1116 # 1117 # 1118 # 1119 # 1120 # 1121 # 1122 # 1123 # 2000 # 2001	Big "D" Liquor Ms. Sandy Korte Mr. Neal Reed Best Enterprises SW Bell Sam's Club Woman's City Club DSRA Rodeo Account New Century LTD ASCAP Ms. Julie Williams VOIDED Big "D" Liquor Mr. Dale Allen Woman's City Club	324.4 25.4 7. 55.1 82. 55.1 575.0 3,039. 600.0 52.1 149.8 158.9 34.1	42 39 00 15 00 00 .50 00 00 85				
	Total	Checks V	Written	(\$5,259.01)			
GENERA	AL ACCOUNT BAL	ANCE	02/17/97	\$ 3,002.82			
RODEO	ACCOUNT BALAN	NCE	02/17/97	\$ 3.877.16			
TOTAL	ALL ACCOUNTS			\$ 6,879.98			

SEE OTHER SIDE FOR RODEO ACCOUNT INFORMATION

WOMENS NIGHT!

St. Patricks Day Party

SATURDAY, MARCH 15th

9pm - til?

FEATURING:

The Ozark Womens Rugby Team

\$5.00 KEG BEER
(tapped at 9pm served until gone)

\$2.00 DSRA MEMBERS

\$3.00 GUESTS



Olde World Pizza Night

FRIDAY, MARCH 14TH

6PM UNTIL 10PM
OLDE WORLD PIZZA
1706 MARKHAM

(ACROSS FROM THE STATE CAPITOL)

DSRA MEMBERS WILL BE WAITING TABLES FOR TIPS
IN CONJUNCTION WITH DINNING OUT FOR LIFE.
AN AIDS FUND-RAISER BENEFITING SEVERAL LOCAL
AIDS SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

ALL TIPS DSRA RECEIVES WILL GO TO SUPPORT RODEO IN THE ROCK

SO BRING ALL YOUR FRIENDS TO EAT PIZZA, DRINK BEER, AND SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY

AND AS ALWAYS TIP WELL!!!!!

