



# DIAMOND STATE LARIAT



P.O. Box 56503 Little Rock, AR 72215

Diamond State Rodeo Association

August, 2002

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Aug - 23 Birthday Night
- Aug - 24 Candidate Show
- Aug - 30 Party Night
- Aug - 31 Country Dance
- Sep - 6 Party Night
- Sep - 7 Bingo
- Sep - 13 Party Night
- Sep - 14 DSRA BBQ
- Sep - 20 Lariat Deadline
- Sep - 20 Board Meeting
- Sep - 20 General Membership Meeting
- Sep - 27 Royalty Step Down Show
- Oct - 28 Royalty Competition
- Oct - 4 Party Night



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

### Howdy Cowboys and Cowgirls

I would just like to say thank you for re-electing me your president for a third year. This will be my 1 year as president and I hope to do more community outreach

with the various organizations in hopes of recruiting more volunteers and also to let them know who we are and what we are all about.

Your new board for this year is:

President Julie B.; Vice-President David S.; Treasurer James S.; Rodeo Director Sherry P.; Trustee Jacky G.; Publicity Chair Mike B.; Events chair Harold M.; Membership chair Sherry P.; and Clubhouse Manager Rodney B. I hope you will come out and get to know your new board.

Mike A., Roy D., Jacky G., Gary S., Sherry P., and I attended convention this past July in Cleveland Ohio. It was great to have a full delegation present and we all learned a lot. There were a lot of changes to the Rodeo Rules and other areas too many to list here. IGRA has welcomed to new associations: they are Sooner State Rodeo Assoc. based in Tulsa and High Sierra Rodeo Assoc. based in Reno, this gives Oklahoma and Nevada two associations in their states. Craig Rouse and Ron Trusley were both re-elected to their offices. Convention for 2004 will be in Denver and Finals for 2004 will be in Omaha. Convention for 2003 will be in

Phoenix and Finals for 2003 will be in Tulsa.

Finals for this year will be in Wichita Ks. and I would like to see a big delegation there.

We have three reasons to be in Wichita, Sherry P. will be stepping down from Ms. IGRAFRU2002, Roy will be competing for Mr. IGRA and we will be turning the spirit stick over to the next winners.

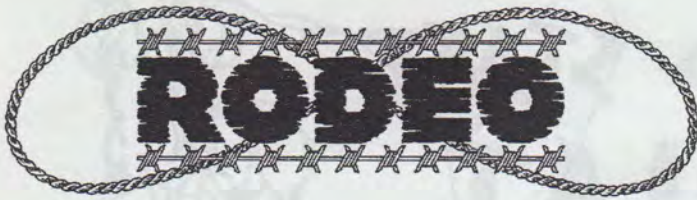
I know that everyone has a busy schedule but please keep in mind the calendar of events for the upcoming months. We have attempted to schedule something for everyone and have some very special events coming up. So check your calendar often and join us for the fun at the clubhouse.

I would like to thank all of you again for supporting DSRA and if you have any ideas or suggestions please contact a board member or better yet join us at the general membership meetings on the third Friday of each month at 9:00pm.

Thank you,  
Julie B. President







### Hey Cowboys and Cowgirls,

By the time you see this in the Lariat, you will have a brand new Rodeo Director for 2003. I would just like to take this last time to say "Thank you" to all the people who have made my task as rodeo director these last two years so much easier. It has been such a pleasure to serve DSRA in this manner. As the old song (and biblical verse) goes...to every thing there is a season. I have enjoyed my season as rodeo director and now feel it is time to move on. During my tenure, I have collected awards from both IGRA and DSRA, none of those will ever mean as much to me as the people who would step in when time came for the rodeo and just say "What do you want me to do?". I feel like our rodeo has built on it's already excellent reputation. I feel like we have successfully moved from the "small rodeo" level to "mid-sized"

level. Now it is time to hand over the reins to your new Director. I have the utmost confidence that Sherry Phillips will lead our rodeo to even greater heights. Sherry has the knowledge, tenacity, and most of all sincerity to bring all our volunteers and sponsors together and lead them in right direction to putting on a first class rodeo. Roy and I will continue to be very involved with DSRA, but it is time for us to move more behind the scenes. I wish Sherry, and the entire new Executive Board the best of luck as they lead our great organization into this new rodeo year. Once again, thank you DSRA for allowing me the pleasure of serving as your rodeo director, it is one of the shining moments in my life I will never forget.

Michael Ashley,  
Rodeo Director 2002



### BEAR NIGHT a Sweet Success

Bear night was a tasty, licking good time. First off Jacky G. and Texas S. would like to thank all of our Whip Cream Models for being such good sports and for letting all that whip cream be licked off them.

It was rough but, they held up to the strain of it all; you might say they took a licking and kept ticking. (Yes that was bad but I just could not resist). A big round of thanks to our models Bob C., Ron R., Joe P., Mark W., and yours truly Tex S.. Jacky G. was our MC and he kept things moving along. Jim S. ran the door, Rodney and David handled the bar, thanks guys for your help. I would like to give special thanks to Jon C. for motivating the crowd. We would also like to thank the Leather Men of Arkansas for their support.

We raised \$190.00 that goes towards buying our own arena equipment. The goal is to have all our own stuff to put on a rodeo. We plan to get

poles and bases for pole bending first. The keg donations raised \$74.00 that will go to the Positive Living Group. There were about fifty Bears and Chasers there that night. Everyone had a good time and is looking forward to the next Bear Night. 1449

Watch the calendar and read the Lariat to see when the next BEAR NIGHT will be.



### New Members Needed

DSRA is having a Membership Drive from now to December with a prize of Dinner for Two at one of the finer Restaurants in town. The member bringing in the most new members will win the dinner for two. When your friends fill out the application and pay the membership dues initial the form beside the DSRA Logo to receive credit.

Also we will be hiding three membership numbers in the Lariat. If

*Just Fun:* In just two days, tomorrow will be yesterday.

I plan on living forever. So far, so good.





your number is there come to the clubhouse on the next general membership meeting and receive a drink card.

We also want to celebrate your birthday. Birthday Night will usually be on the fourth Friday of the month and if your birthday is during that month you will receive a present from

all of us at DSRA of a drink card. You must be a current member to receive this card. A Birthday cake will be provided and we would like to invite everyone to help us celebrate each member's birthday. August's Party will be on the 23rd so see you there.

Membership Chair  
Sherry P.



## Hey there gang.

Well, here we are.. this is my next to last report after being your Mr. IGRA for two years ending. It's still a bit early to go down memory lane so I'll just call your attention to a few things that are going on this month. First and foremost is the Candidates show this Saturday night 8-24-02. The money raised at this show will go into the candidates fund to help defray the cost of the royalty's attire (crowns, buckles, sashes, etc, etc). These new royalty candidates are working hard to keep the tremendous momentum that the current royalty has going. We owe it to them and ourselves to get them started off

right by supporting them. The next royalty event will be the Step-down and introduction of candidates September 27th. This night begins the weekend of competition for the 2003 royalty, with the new royalty being crowned and sashed Saturday night.

As in all the IGRA organizations there has always been debate on whether there is a need for royalty. You have people say that it isn't about the royalty, it's about the rodeo. Then there are those who say it isn't about the rodeos, it's about the contestants. Then you have people say it isn't about the contestants, it's about the charities. Then you have people who say it isn't

about the charities, it's about the organization. Then you have people who say it isn't about the organization, it's about the members. And the debate goes on and on and on. But you know what...they are all right. There is a place in DSRA and IGRA for all these people. It's about representing yourself, and your club, to the best of your abilities. I hope that we, as the outgoing royalty team, have represented you guys to the best of our abilities. I hope that we have brought a positive light both in our community, and on our out of state journeys, to DSRA. We have worked hard this past year, and now it is about time to past the baton to the next group of hard workers. It's very much like a phrase I once heard "Royalty.... it not a title, it's a job!". Till next time.

Peace and Rodeo,  
Roy Diaz, Mr. DSRA  
2002

## Royalty Competition Is Coming

The Royalty competition will be September 28th with the Step-down and introduction show on September 27th. This is

a great weekend and an opportunity to see what royalty competition is all about in IGRA on a smaller scale. If you would like to be a part of the competition and a part of the DSRA Royalty Team the deadline for entering is September 12th. You must have your entrance fee paid at this time and you will be given a study packet, requirements, expectations, and deadlines. This is a great opportunity to get involved in DSRA and an experience that you will never forget. My time as a part of Royalty has 1039 been really enjoyable, as well as a lot of hard work and a new network of friends from around the country. I hope to see all of you at the competition, if not as competitors then as spectators and cheering squads.

Thank you,  
Sherry  
Ms. IGRA FRU 2002





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# Maggie Mae's

Sun  
11:30am to  
6:30pm

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


Lin Long, MMT	<b>Massage on the Rock</b>	For Appt.
Donna McGriff, MTT		244-9144
Solomon Bures, LMT		
Trey Merritt, LMT		



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The next Lariat deadline is September 20th. If you are interested in submitting an article for publication, please contact Mike at 666-3706  MIKE4DSRA@aol.com FAX 661-1427 (Call first)



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# D.S.R.A. CALENDAR

September 29 - November 9, 2002



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Sept 29	Sept 30	Oct 1	Oct 2	Oct 3	Oct 4  9:00pm Party Night	Oct 5
Oct 6	Oct 7	Oct 8	Oct 9	Oct 10	Oct 11	Oct 12
				16th IGRA Finals Rodeo - Wichita		
Oct 13  	Oct 14  Columbus Day (Observed)	Oct 15	Oct 16	Oct 17	Oct 18  Lariat Deadline - 666-3706 7:30pm Board Meeting 9:00pm General Membership Meeting	Oct 19
Oct 20	Oct 21	Oct 22	Oct 23	Oct 24	Oct 25  9:00pm Birthday Night	Oct 26 Private Party
Oct 27  Daylight Savings	Oct 28	Oct 29	Oct 30	Oct 31 Halloween 	Nov 1  9:00pm Party Night	Nov 2
Nov 3	Nov 4	Nov 5	Nov 6	Nov 7	Nov 8	Nov 9




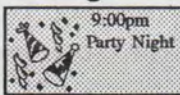
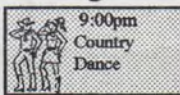




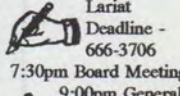
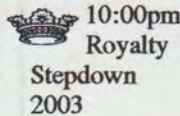
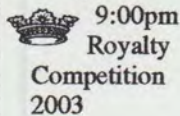




# D.S.R.A. CALENDAR

August 18 - September 28, 2002



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Aug 18</b>  Sundry Social Sierra Stampede - Sacramento, CA	<b>Aug 19</b>	<b>Aug 20</b>	<b>Aug 21</b>	<b>Aug 22</b>	<b>Aug 23</b>  9:00pm Birthday Night Windy City Rodeo - Chicago, IL	<b>Aug 24</b>  9:30pm Candidate Show
<b>Aug 25</b> Windy City Rodeo ...	<b>Aug 26</b>	<b>Aug 27</b>	<b>Aug 28</b>	<b>Aug 29</b>	<b>Aug 30</b>  9:00pm Party Night MGRA Show Me State Rodeo - Kansas City, ...	<b>Aug 31</b>  9:00pm Country Dance
<b>Sept 1</b> MGRA Show Me S...	<b>Sept 2</b>  Labor Day	<b>Sept 3</b>	<b>Sept 4</b>	<b>Sept 5</b>	<b>Sept 6</b>  9:00pm Party Night Atlantic Stampede 2002 - Washington DC	<b>Sept 7</b> 8:00pm Bingo Night
<b>Sept 8</b> Atlantic Stampede 2...	<b>Sept 9</b>	<b>Sept 10</b>	<b>Sept 11</b>	<b>Sept 12</b>	<b>Sept 13</b>  9:00pm Party Night	<b>Sept 14</b>  5:00pm DSRA BBQ!
<b>Sept 15</b>	<b>Sept 16</b>	<b>Sept 17</b>	<b>Sept 18</b>	<b>Sept 19</b>	<b>Sept 20</b>  Lariat Deadline - 666-3706 7:30pm Board Meeting 9:00pm General Membership Meeting Greater San Diego Rodeo	<b>Sept 21</b>
<b>Sept 22</b> Greater San Diego ...	<b>Sept 23</b>	<b>Sept 24</b>	<b>Sept 25</b>	<b>Sept 26</b>	<b>Sept 27</b>  10:00pm Royalty Stepdown 2003	<b>Sept 28</b>  9:00pm Royalty Competition 2003

Always check the web site for changes in the Calendar!

8/21/2002