



DIAMOND STATE LARIAT



P.O. Box 56503 Little Rock, AR 72215

Diamond State Rodeo Association

September, 2002

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sep - 27 Royalty Stepdown 2003
- Sep - 27 Royalty Competition 2003
- Oct - 4 Spades Nite
- Oct - 10 - 13 IGFA Finals
- Oct - 18 Lariat Deadline
- Board Meeting
- General membership meeting
- Oct 25 - Birthday Night
- Oct 26 - Lip'Sync
- Oct 27 - Daylight Savings
- Nov 1 - Halloween Party



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Howdy Cowboys and Cowgirls,
I hope all of you are fine and that you all had a good summer. Recently Sherry and I were invited to judge a Royalty Competition for Sooner State

Rodeo Association in Tulsa. This is a new association that was seated at this years convention along with High Sierra Rodeo Association in Reno. This gives Oklahoma and Nevada two associations.

Finals Rodeo is almost here and DSRA's Arena Crew has been invited to participate. This is a great honor and we are very proud of them. We have hosted a few fundraisers for them to help defray expenses and they have gone really well. Congratulations to Monica and all of her crew.

I hope to see all of you on September 27th and 28th for the Royalty Step Down and Competition. Roy and Rita have worked hard this year and we would like to express our appreciation to the both of them. Come down to the clubhouse on Friday Night to show yours and meet the new candidates that will be competing on Saturday. Then return on Saturday and watch the competition and meet some very special people from out of state and the local community.

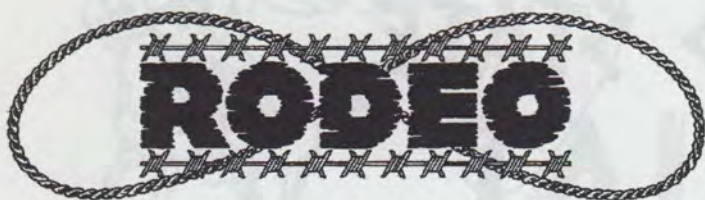
Happy Trails to all
Julie

DSRA WISH LIST

- 8 GALLONS OF FLAT BLACK INTERIOR PAINT
- 4 GALLONS OF GRAY CONCRETE PAINT AN ELECTRICIAN WHO KNOWS ABOUT REFRIGERATION INDOOR OUTDOOR CARPET FOR THE FRONT AREA OF THE CLUBHOUSE RUBBER MATS FOR THE NEW BAR AREA

Thank You





Rodeo Plans are Under Way

We have begun the Rodeo planning and have selected a host hotel and secured the arena. We will be hosting the parties at the fairgrounds this year and the Host Hotel will be the Amerisuites on Financial Center Parkway.

We have a long way to go yet and need your input and help. The next Rodeo Meeting will be October 6th at 4:00 pm. We will be having a cookout and meeting at Julie and Sherry's house so bring you thoughts and appetites. For directions call 261-1130, hope to see you there.

Sherry
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Looking for a Home

We have some very special Piggy Banks that need a home for a few months. Adopt one of them and you could win a \$50.00 prize on Jan 18th. Two prizes will be awarded and each person will receive a adoption certificate. One prize will be awarded for the best dressed pig and the second will be awarded for the fullest pig, or the one that has raised the most change. So let your creative inclinations run rampant and deposit your spare change to help with this years Rodeo.

Adoption fee is \$10 dollars. So next time you are at the clubhouse pick up one and give it a home.



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 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.
Membership Chair



To All Members and Guests

Thank You for letting me be your Miss DSRA 2002. I would like to thank everybody for their help and support throughout this year. I would like to thank all the entertainers for their support throughout the year. They were all special to me and I had a lot of fun this year. I enjoyed going to the Rodeo that I attended this last past year. I learned a lot about Rodeo's and met a lot of nice people. Once again I would like to thank everybody again for their support and help.

Love Always
Miss Rita Rogers
Miss DSRA 2002

Just Fun. There's no need to fear falling - it's the sudden stop at the bottom that warrants the fear.





Dear Cowboys and Cowgirls:

By the time you read this, my reign, as your Mr. DSRA will be over. I can't tell you how much it has meant to me to represent DSRA over these past two years. I have thought and thought for a long time what I would say in my farewell address to everyone, but everything can come up with sounds like every other farewell speech you've ever heard. If I tried to thank everyone who has helped me over these past two years, I would run the risk of leaving out someone. Whether it was someone who would run the spotlight for a show of ours, or whether it was someone who showed up on one of those nights when the clubhouse was nearly empty to support a show, or someone who would help out with all our crazy fundraisers, or someone who would volunteer for our rodeo, or someone who would volunteer something to

be raffled off, or someone who would sponsor me so that I could travel to some of the rodeos and events I traveled to represent DSRA, or even someone who would just come by and pat me on the shoulder and say...& quote Nice Job & quote; I just can't find the words to let you know how much you were appreciated. Sometimes Thank-you just doesn't seem to cut it. Please remember you will always be in my heart, and I guarantee you that I will always remember who you are and what you did.

Now that the mushy stuff is over, I want to turn my attention to your new royalty. I would like to share some wisdom that I have learned from these past two years. I hope that this advice will help you avoid some pitfalls that I fell into: #1 No matter how many volunteers you have, it will be never enough. #2. If the show you did suck, book another one

quick (the best shows always seem to follow the worst ones). #3. Don't get mad at a performer for backing out on you at the last minute, they will always make it up to you another time (and they always do!). #4 Never shy away from someone because of the & quote rumors & quote you heard about them, because those same & quote rumors & quote; will be spread about you one day. #5. Talk to total strangers at every event you go to (don't be shy...the Sash is POWER!). #6. Never burn a bridge behind you because that very same bridge may be your only way home someday. #7. Never be shy about asking for donations or sponsorships (DSRA has some of the most generous and benevolent people you will ever know. Many members want to help their community, but do it from behind the scenes). #8. If it looks like someone is helping DSRA only to help themselves out. Let them! (A rising tide lifts ALL ships). #9 There will be times when you don't particularly like other members of your royalty team or your E-board (don't hold on to those feelings too long because when everyone else is against you, they will have your back). And finally number 10 of my sage advice to the new royalty. (Something that if I could have ever practiced as much as I preached, my reign would have gone much smoother). NEVER EVER take yourself too seriously. Have fun, always remember there is a mountain for every valley, and if you don't give up, it will ALWAYS be worth it in the end. From the Hispanic Chicago transplant, thank you all for letting me represent DSRA. I hope I represented you in a way that made you proud.

Peace and Rodeo,
Roy Diaz
Mr. DSRA 2001-2002



DSRA now has an easier to remember URL for its webpage:

<http://www.dsra.org>

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Maggie Mae's

Sun
11:30am to
6:30pm


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The next Lariat deadline is October 18th. 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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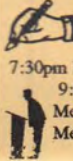






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D.S.R.A. CALENDAR

September 22 - November 2, 2002



| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|---|----------------|----------------|---|---|--|
| Sept 22 Greater San Diego Rodeo | Sept 23 | Sept 24 | Sept 25 | Sept 26 | Sept 27 10:00pm Royalty Stepdown 2003 | Sept 28 9:00pm Royalty Competition 2003 |
| Sept 29 | Sept 30 | Oct 1 | Oct 2 | Oct 3 | Oct 4  Spades Night | Oct 5 |
| Oct 6 | Oct 7 | Oct 8 | Oct 9 | Oct 10 | Oct 11 | Oct 12 |
| 16th IGRA Finals Rodeo - Wichita | | | | | | |
| Oct 13  16th IGRA Finals ... | 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  Lip'sync |
| Oct 27  Daylight Savings | Oct 28 | Oct 29 | Oct 30 | Oct 31 Halloween  | Nov 1  Spades Night  9:00pm Halloween Party | Nov 2 |



D.S.R.A. CALENDAR

November 3 - December 14, 2002



| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--------|--|---------|-----------|---|--|--------------------------------|
| Nov 3 | Nov 4 | Nov 5 | Nov 6 | Nov 7 | Nov 8 | Nov 9 |
| Nov 10 | Nov 11 <i>Veterans Day</i>  | Nov 12 | Nov 13 | Nov 14 | Nov 15 Lariat Deadline - 666-3706 7:30pm Board Meeting 9:00pm General Membership Meeting  | Nov 16 |
| Nov 17 | Nov 18 | Nov 19 | Nov 20 | Nov 21 | Nov 22 9:00pm Birthday Night  | Nov 23 9:00pm Private Party |
| Nov 24 | Nov 25 | Nov 26 | Nov 27 | Nov 28  <i>Thanksgiving</i> | Nov 29 | Nov 30 |
| Dec 1 | Dec 2 | Dec 3 | Dec 4 | Dec 5 | Dec 6 Spades Night  | Dec 7 |
| Dec 8 | Dec 9 | Dec 10 | Dec 11 | Dec 12 | Dec 13 | Dec 14 |



*The Diamond State Rodeo Association
&
The 2002 Royalty Team*

*Cordially invites you to attend the
2003 DSR A Royalty Competition*

*Friday, September 27, 2002
&
Saturday, September 28, 2002*

*DSRA Clubhouse
4525 Hoffman Road
Little Rock AR 72209*

*Friday, September 27th
2002 Royalty Step-Down
& Candidate Preview Show-9:00 p.m.*

*Saturday, September 28th
Royalty Competition-9:00 p.m.*

*Please come out and help support DSR A and the
2003 Royalty Team as they begin their reign.*