



# DIAMOND STATE LARIAT



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Diamond State Rodeo Association

July, 2004

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Howdy Cowboy's and Cowgirl's, are you ready to Rodeo? Rodeo in the Rock, 2005 is only 9 months away, and plans are really starting to take shape. If you or any of your friends would like to get involved with the planning of the Rodeo, then give Jacky G your Rodeo Director a call, his number is listed on the back of the newsletter. This year will mark our 10th Anniversary for Gay Rodeo in little Rock, so there will be a lot of activities going on between now and the Rodeo as well as during the Rodeo.

For the last four year's I have devoted a lot of time and energy to DSRA, which I truly love and will continue to give my very best to an organization that I believe in. In August at the General Membership meeting, you will be electing a new board of directors, I urge you to get out meet the candidates and support them this next year. I have been proud to serve as your President for the last four year's, but it is time for new people to fill those roles, and they will do it well.

I would like to just take a minute

of your time to Thank those of you who have served on the DSRA Board of Directors. We have had some trying times this past year, but we made it through and we grew from that. You guys have been a great board to work with and Thank You for your support, and the support that all of you gave me for the IGRA Finals Competition this past year. Lastly I would like to thank my partner Sherry of 13 years. You were there when times were bad, when times were good and you supported all

my efforts, I love you. Lastly I would like to thank the membership of DSRA for all of your support over the last four years. I love this organization and all of you who make this possible. Thank You so much.

I would also like to take this time to say that our sympathy goes out to Lou R. your secretary and her father, Lou's mother passed away in June, also we send our sympathy to Rodney B., your clubhouse manager whose step father passed away in June also. We would like to wish a speedy recovery to Miss Tizzy who is recuperating from knee Surgery, and to Miss Marie, who has had some hip problems which has kept her down lastly our Hearts go out to the MGRA (Missouri Gay Rodeo Association) Bobbie ST Jeor, their president, Trustee and Rodeo Director was killed in a car accident on the 2nd of July on her way to the NSGRA Rodeo in ST Paul, MN. This was a tragic loss to everyone involved including her partner Judy of 12 years. Bobbie will be missed by all who knew and loved her. I am asking all of you who can to please make every effort to attend the MGRA's Rodeo labor Day



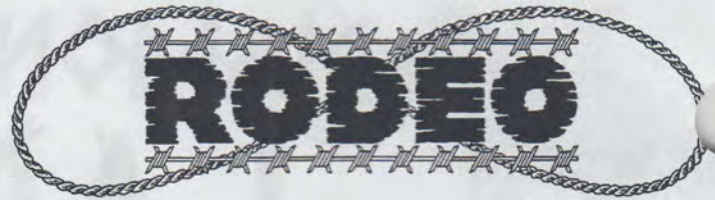
weekend in Kansas City, they need help. I can remember three years ago when Ian B DSRA's Rodeo Director was in a bad car accident and was in a comma, and MGRA along with others from IGRA came to our rescue, well we need to return the favor. I will be heading up Security for the weekend and collecting Volunteer names if you would like to go give me a call, my number is on the back of the newsletter.

Hey people it is Membership renewal time once again. If you joined last June or July or before you are do now. I am working on some Membership Perks for members only. I am hoping to get various businesses to give a percentage off item if you show your DSRA Membership card. Also members get into most DSRA Functions now free, unless it is a special event then the fee is discounted. Also members receive a free monthly newsletter, we hope to have a lot more to come.

Elections for the new

board of DSRA will take place at the General Membership meeting in August. I urge you to come out to the clubhouse and meet your candidates, and hear their ideas for DSRA. This year we are changing things a little in hopes that more people will come out and vote for the new board. We will be sending out absentee ballot in this newsletter, which is due in no later than August 1st. You may also vote at the General Membership meeting in August and on Saturday, August 21st from 9am until 4pm we will have voting at the clubhouse, and a chance for you to come out and meet the candidates.

Rodeo Up,  
Julie B. DSRA  
President



FYI---Any member of DSRA or Non-Member may submit an article for the newsletter each month, we encourage articles. If you are interested in submitting an article please contact Mike B, our publicity chair.

HAPPY AD'S

Starting with the next newsletter DSRA will start publishing Happy AD's. These AD's are \$5.00 for 25 words or less. You can put most anything on them. You may want to wish someone a Happy Birthday, announce that you are single looking for someone, having a yard sale whatever. If you want to send a wish to someone who does not receive the newsletter just include their name and address and we will make sure that they get a copy, this could be fun.

DSRA is trying to purchase a pool table, if

you know of one for sale or to be given away please give a board member one of the board member's a call.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THESE BUSINESSES BECAUSE THEY CONTINUE TO SUPPORT US:

- CROSSROAD'S
- WESTERN WEAR
- GALLOUPS WESTERN WEAR
- HORSE HEAD ARENA
- WILD CARD
- MR/MISTER
- BA FRAMER
- SCALLIONS
- RESTRAUNT
- VINO'S
- BUFFALO GRILL



*Just Fun.* What is a Yankee? The same as a quickie, but a guy can do it alone.



## Mission Statement

The DSRA (**Diamond State Rodeo Association**) is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to promote the country and western lifestyle within the gay community.

DSRA has a proud history of fundraising for charitable organizations within our community. All members are volunteers who share our time and abilities to further this cause. All money raised by the DSRA goes to local charities and towards maintaining the organization's clubhouse. DSRA is an all-inclusive organization that recognizes all lifestyles and genders. We welcome anyone to become a member and to participate in our community efforts!

The DSRA is one of twenty-four members of the **IGRA (International Gay Rodeo Association)**. The IGRA serves to foster the sport of rodeo amongst other country and western activities. IGRA along with its fellow member organizations such as DSRA donate thousands of dollars each year to charities.

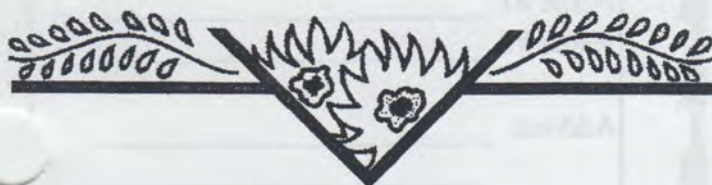


## CALENDAR

- July 23 - July 24 Road Trip to Shreveport, LA
- July 23 - July 25 Southern Spura Rodeo, Atlanta, GA
- July 30 - August 1 Greater Motown International Rodeo Part V, Detroit, MI
- August 6 Spades Night & Potluck, DSRA (7:30)
- August 5 - August 8 L.A. Rodeo 2004, Los Angeles, CA
- August 20 Board Meeting/Election Night, DSRA (7:30)
- August 20 - August 22 San Fran Bay Area Gay Rodeo, San Francisco, CA
- August 21 Bears' Night Out, DSRA (9:00)
- August 27 - August 29 Windy City Rodeo, Chicago, IL
- August 27 - August 29 Salt Lake City Rodeo, Salt Lake City UT
- August 28 Boots & Boxers, DSRA (9:00)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

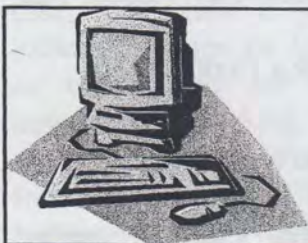
- Leather Men of Arkansas, DSRA (9:00); September 18
- Halloween Party; October 30
- Leather Men of Arkansas, DSRA (9:00); November 20
- Christmas Party; December 18
- New Years Eve Party; December 31





**NOTICE**

Jody C. is raising money for competing in Rodeo's. What she is asking is, the membership to save aluminum cans and she will come pick them up. She will be representing the DSRA other rodeo's and getting DSRA to become a household word. 888-3663



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

<http://www.dsra.org>




Lin Long, MTI  
Solomon Bures, LMT

**Massage  
on the  
Rock**

For Appt.  
590-5496

**Travel  
provided by  
American  
Airlines**



The next Lariat deadline is June 18th. If you are interested in submitting an article for publication, please contact Mike at 666-3706  [MIKE4DSRA@aol.com](mailto:MIKE4DSRA@aol.com) FAX 661-1427 (Call first)



**DIAMOND STATE RODEO ASSOCIATION  
2003-2004 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

President	Julie Brown	261-1130
Vice President	Lin Long	590-5496
Secretary	Lou Rushing	888-3663
Treasurer	Cody Alldredge	455-1250
Trustee	Jacky Green	960-7353
Membership Chair	David Finch	730-6741
Events Chair	Gary W.	315-7860
Public Relations	Mike Baggett	666-3706
Clubhouse Manager	Rodney B.	
Rodeo Director	Jacky Green	960-7353

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 \_\_\_\_\_

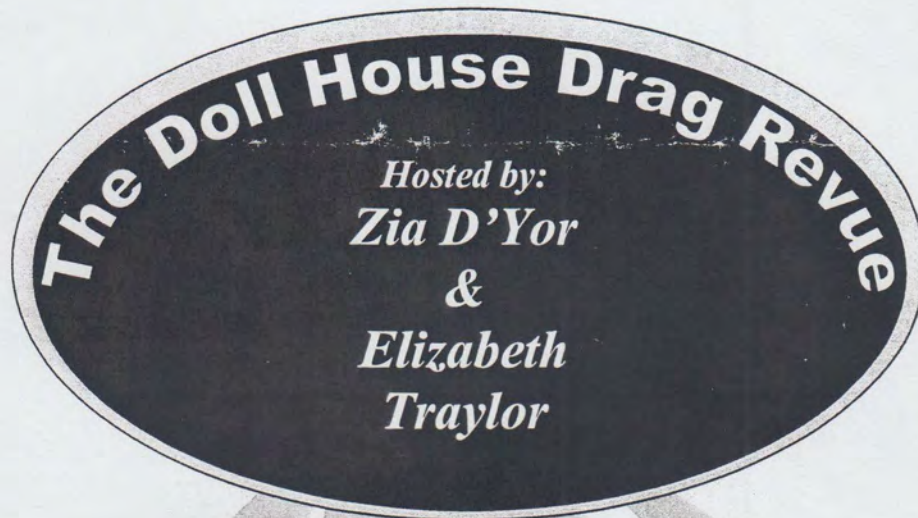
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# ARKANSAS EQUALITY NETWORK

-In partnership with-

**Diamond State Rodeo Association**

*Presents*



Mycha  
Michelle

Contessa  
St. Clare

Taylor  
Monroe

*Friday August 13, 2004*

**Doors open at 9pm**

Showtime at 10:30

Diamond State Rodeo Clubhouse

4525 Hoffman Road

(For more information go to [www.DSRA.org](http://www.DSRA.org))



# DSRA WANTS YOU...

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_



## TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

MEMBERSHIP LIST IS CONFIDENTIAL AND WILL BE USED FOR OFFICIAL DSRA BUSINESS ONLY.

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

# DIAMOND STATE RODEO ASSOCIATION

D.S.R.A USE ONLY
_____
Membership number
_____
DATE RECEIVED

P.O. Box 56503, Little Rock, AR  
72215-6503  
Tel 501 562-4466 Web  
<http://welcome.to/dsra>



## ..... MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION.....

\*NEW \$ \_\_\_\_\_ RENEWAL \$24.00

Please read carefully. All information must be filled in, signed and dated for the membership to be valid and accepted.  
(Please Print. If using alias, print legal name for confidential records.)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ALIAS: \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission to use my first name and last initial in all DSRA publications. Circle: YES NO

DOB: MO: \_\_\_\_ YR: \_\_\_\_ I am 21 yrs of age or older. Circle: YES NO

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to receive mail at my mailing address. Circle: YES NO

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

If you do / do not want calls to either number, please circle: YES home / work; NO home / work

EMAIL ADDRESS: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL SKILLS: Legal \_\_\_\_ Accounting \_\_\_\_ Financial \_\_\_\_ Graphic/Art \_\_\_\_ Communications \_\_\_\_  
Secretarial \_\_\_\_ Other (please list) \_\_\_\_\_

AREAS OF INTEREST (working / participation): Rodeo \_\_\_\_ Rodeo Participation \_\_\_\_  
Country/Western Dance (teach / learn) \_\_\_\_ Public Relations \_\_\_\_ Fund Raising \_\_\_\_ Entertainment \_\_\_\_  
Newsletter \_\_\_\_ Clubhouse (circle one or more: cleanup, bartend, tend door)  
Other (please list) \_\_\_\_\_

For and in consideration of the acceptance of the membership application and my being a member of DSRA, Inc. with its rights and privileges, the undersigned does hereby agree to protect and indemnify and hold harmless DSRA, Inc. from any and all damage, injury, or death which might occur to the undersigned or the undersigned's property in preparation for, during, at, or following any function held by or for the benefit of DSRA, Inc. and also from any and all liability whatsoever in regard thereto, whether any cause of action may occur to you, your executor, administrator, or assigns.

I  MEMBERSHIP LIST IS CONFIDENTIAL AND WILL BE USED FOR OFFICIAL DSRA BUSINESS ONLY.

APPLICANTS SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_