The Barbed Wire

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From The President

The 2005 IGRA rodeo season is about to come to a close with Finals next month in Dallas. This has been another great year for HGRA, and congratulations to

all those who competed! The next couple months will be very busy for our organization as Terri and Pete from our 2005 Royalty Team host numerous events, and we crown a new Royalty Team for 2006. In addition, HGRA members will be competing at the IGRA Finals in Dallas, and we are busy preparing for the awards banquet in December. However, the primary focus of the next several months will be the preparations for the 2006 Heartland Rodeo in Springfield. Many of you have been asking when the rodeo will return, and we are excited to bring the rodeo back to Springfield in May of 2006.

I know Fall is a busy time of the year as we prepare for Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas seasons, but please come out and support HGRA



at our many events over the next several months. It is only through your support that we are able to bring the Heartland Rodeo to reality.

Rodeo On! Phil Lister

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HGRA is currently looking for volunteer (s) with experience in website maintenance and design to take over the responsibility of maintaining our website. Please email Phil Lister at <u>wrestlingcowboy@yahoo.com</u> if interested in helping HGRA with this project

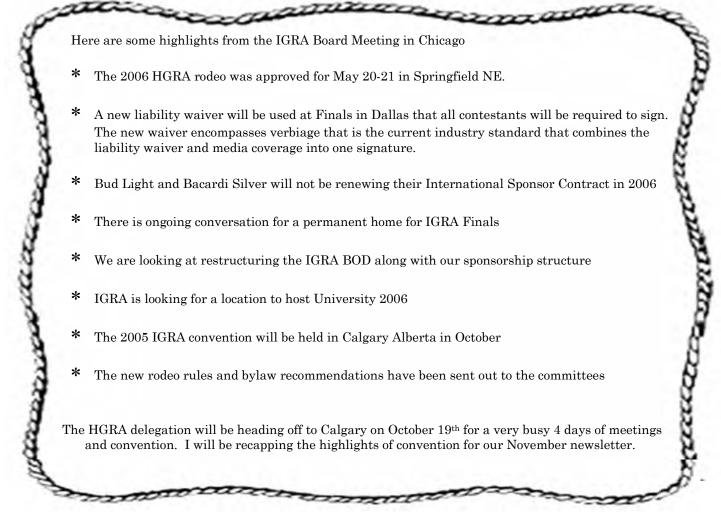




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Trustee Report By Bryn Geerdes



Congratulations to Team Heartland for another Outstanding Year

The 2005 IGRA Rodeo Season is drawing to a close and our Heartland Cowboys and Cowgirls are getting prepared for Finals in November in Dallas. These individuals are assured of an invitation to Finals based on their top 20 individual finish in the IGRA standings. Goat Dressing and Steer Deco will invite the top 40 and Wild Drag the top 60.

Brett Hartman

Team Roping 13th Breakaway 11th

Rich Parker

Calf Roping 7th Chute Dogging 1st Goat Dressing 18th Steer Deco 40th Wild Drag 40th



Tim Kernan

Chute Dogging 11th Flag Racing 6th Steer Deco 36th Goat Dressing 17th Wild Drag 37th

Marv P Wild Drag 56th

Chuck Hildebrandt Wild Drag 25th Steer Deco 7th Goat Dressing 28th

Sam Kramer Barrel Racing 6th Flag Racing 8th Chute Dogging 17th

Bryn Geerdes Pole Bending 5th

Barrel Racing 11th Flag Racing 8th Calf Roping 7th

Teeny Copafeelya

Chute Dogging 2nd Goat Dressing 32nd Wild Drag 42nd

Tamara Marks has been invited as the Finals Scorekeeper and Char Werth and Jo Knott will be 2 of her timers. Congratulations to all those who will represented HGRA and good luck in Dallas.

Rodeo Up – A Report From Your Rodeo Directors

The 2006 Rodeo is shaping up but there is still a lot of work to do.

We are excited to have Mr. LongArm and Brand Hydraulics, as Rodeo Sponsors and our newest platinum sponsor, DC'S Saloon. Several buckles for the 2006 Rodeo have been sponsored but more are available. HGRA has buckle and corporate sponsorships available so please contact HGRA if you or someone you know is interested in sponsoring the 8th Heartland Rodeo on May 20-21, 2006. We are also looking for a few good men and women to volunteer to help with all the hard work that goes into putting on a wonderful rodeo event. It is shaping up to be one of our best rodeos ever. Come join our team.

2006 Co-Rodeo Directors

Terri & Kathy

Royalty Report

Your Royalty team has been busy filling up the rest of the 2005 calendar with more fundraisers for HGRA, MCC and YWCA. October 8th, 11th, and 15th will be football and food at Connections. October 28th they will host the Monster Bash Costume Party at DC's. The festivities will include a costume contest, Leo's famous Jell-o shots, and of course a great show filled with some of your favorite performers. This will be a great party to end the month of October. In November there are two Royalty shows, November 5th will be the "Return to Miss Kitty's Wild West Show" at FLIXX bar and November 11th they will take a step back into the past with "That 70's Show" ending with a Go-Go, Disco dance bar after the show. Be sure to watch for posters and advertisements in the Gayzette.

Ms HGRA Terri Mr. HGRA Pete



HGRA & Connections Present Football Feast & Beer!

Come Join Us for Good Food, Good Company, Football on a Big Screen TV and

Buckets of Beer.

October 8, 2005 12 PM – 6 PM October 15, 2005 2:30 PM – 6 PM October 22, 2005 2:30 PM – 6 PM

> Come join the fun. 1901 Leavenworth, Omaha

Proceeds to HGRA Rodeo, YWCA & MCC





2005 H.G.R.A. Annual Awards Celebration

Who	All H.G.R.A. Members and their guests	
What	2005 H.G.R.A. Annual Awards Celebration and Election of Officers	
Where	Social HourDinnerFlixx BarAngie's Restaurant1019 S. 10th St.1001 Pacific St,Omaha, NEOmaha, NE402.341.8800402.344.3103	
When	Saturday, December 10th 2005Social Hour at FlixxDinner at Angie's5:30 - 6:30 PMCash BarDrink SpecialsDinnerHors-d'oeuvreElection of Officers& Awards8:00 PM	
Menu Cl	 hoices Baked Chicken - \$15.10* Egg Plant Parmigiana - \$15.10* Club Steak - \$18.20* *Includes tax and tip All dinners served with Italian salad, baked potato, mostaccioli, Bread & butte coffee or tea. 	
How	Dinner tickets must be purchased prior to Saturday, December 3rd Please mail check along with menu choice to: HGRA PO Box 3354 Omaha, NE 68103-0354 Or contact Bryn Geerdes at <u>bg15732@alltel net</u> or 402.944-2422	



ANNUAL ELECTIONS

HGRA elections will be held on the evening of December 10, 2005 during the annual awards banquet. We will continue to accept nominations until our November 6 meeting, at which time nominations will be closed. However, write-in candidates can be made on your ballot and if you are writing in a candidate please make sure they will accept the position. We are seeking nominations for the following officers:

President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer Trustee Membership Rodeo Events Public Relations

If you would like to volunteer your services for one of these positions, please feel free to nominate yourself. If you would like to nominate someone else for a position, please obtain their approval and acceptance of the nomination. All nominations should be forwarded to Kathy Ward at secretary@HGRA.net. We will be sending absentee ballots out in November.

HGRA AWARD NOMINATIONS

We are taking nominations for the following awards:

Founders Award

Recognizes an individual who promotes teamwork and enthusiasm within our Association and the Community.

Dave McGinnis Award

Recognizes an individual who exemplifies the spirit and goals of HGRA

Ranch Hand Award

Recognizes an individual for their volunteerism and service to the association and or community above and beyond the call of duty.

Please submit your recommendation to Kathy at. secretary@HGRA.net. no later than November 6th.

RODEO ROUNDUP

These are the results from rodeos since our last news-letter

Chicago – Team Heartland placed 1st out of 17 teams

Buckle Winners

Sam K. won both barrels and flag racing. She also placed in pole bending

Top 8

Bryn G. 6^{th} barrels, 3^{rd} poles, and 2^{nd} in flags. She also placed 4^{th} in all around

Maggie W. 7th in barrels and poles

Rich Parker 2^{nd} chute dogging and steer deco, 5^{th} flags. He also placed 5^{th} in all around.

Chuck H. 2nd goats

Brett H. 8th poles

Tim K. 2nd steer deco

Dan N 8th steer deco

Roger P 8th steer deco

Kansas City – Heartland placed 2nd out of 16 teams.

Buckle Winners

Teeny C. chute dogging, she also placed $\mathbf{8}^{\text{th}}$ in drag and $\mathbf{4}^{\text{th}}$ in goats

Marv P. steer deco and wild drag, he also won the Bacardi Silver Buckle for top all around camp contestant.

Randy J. steer deco

Bryn G. wild drag, she also placed 3rd in barrels.

Top 8

Maggie W. 4th in barrels, 8th in goats, and 6th in poles

Tim K. 6^{th} in chute dogging, 8^{th} in barrels, 3^{rd} in flags, 7^{th} steer deco, 6th wild drag, and 6^{th} in goats

Rich P. 7^{th} chute dogging and steer deco, 6^{th} in goats and wild drag

Brett H. 6th flags and barrels

Roger P. 5th in poles and wild drag, 6th in steer deco

Dave E. 5th in wild drag

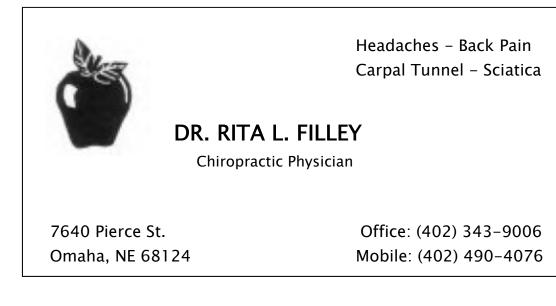
Dan N. 6th steer deco

Wolf K. 8th in flags

Houston - Heartland placed 9th out of 12 teams

Top 8

Chuck H. 6th in flags, and 3rd in steer deco





ROYALTY CONTESTANTS WANTED

FOR 2006



On November 19th HGRA will have its Royalty contest and Step Down Show

sponsored by **FLIXX.** Terri and Pete are looking for contestants for Miss, Ms, Mr. and MsTer to represent HGRA in 2006. If you are interested in running for a title you need to join HGRA, contestants must be members t 30 days prior to the Royalty competition. That means join up before October 15th and be part of our Royalty. For Royalty Competition rules please visit <u>www.hgra.net/hgra_home/royalty/royalty_webpage.pdf</u>. If you have any questions please email: <u>secretary@hgra.net</u>. We look forward to seeing all HGRA members and friends at our future events.