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## From the Desk of the President

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Howdy Cowboys and Cowgirls,  
As summer is finally winding down, as we head into Labor Day Weekend. We are off to a wonderful start planning our 2011 RoadRunner Regional Rodeo. There are a lot of exciting things in store. Stay tuned..

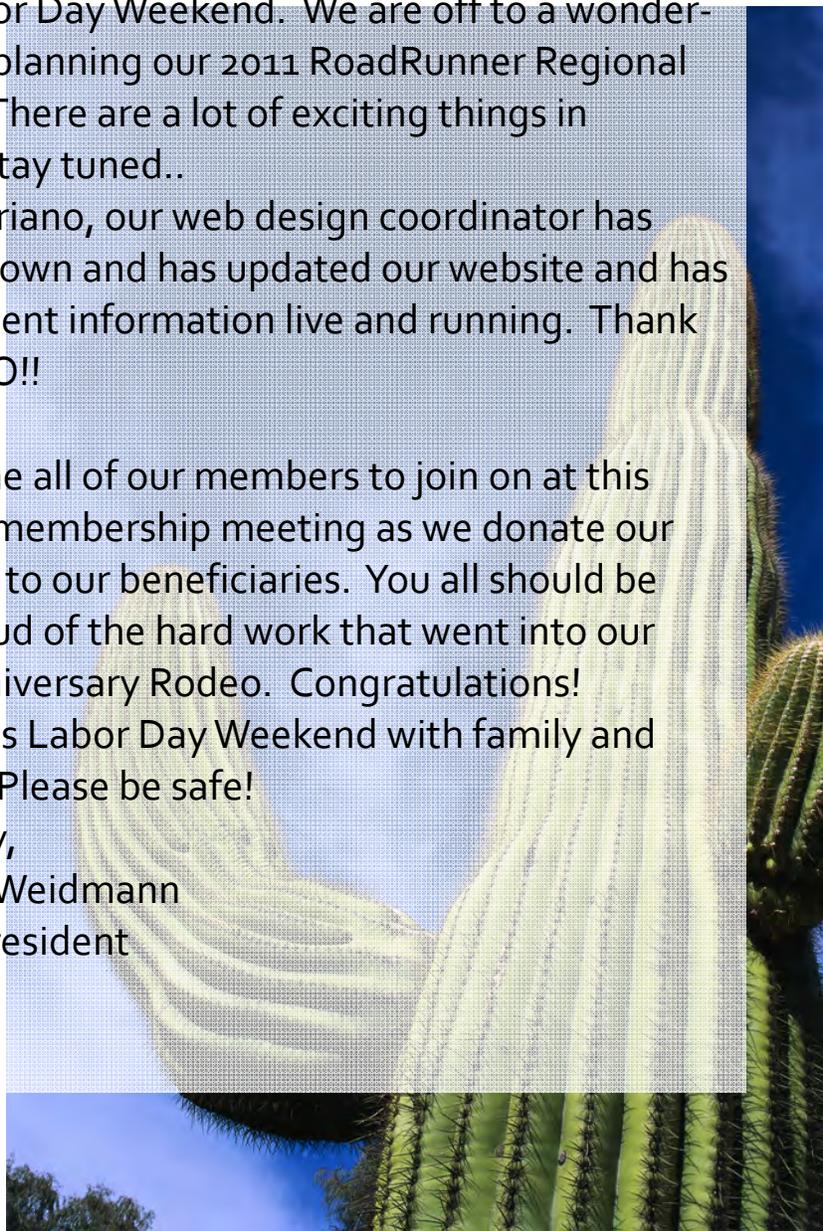
Gino Meriano, our web design coordinator has been in town and has updated our website and has all pertinent information live and running. Thank You GINO!!

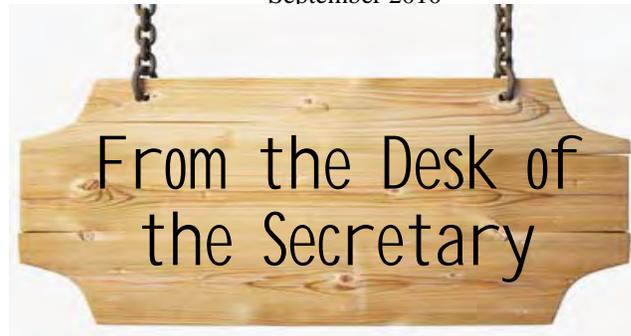
I welcome all of our members to join on at this months membership meeting as we donate our earnings to our beneficiaries. You all should be very proud of the hard work that went into our 25th Anniversary Rodeo. Congratulations! Enjoy this Labor Day Weekend with family and friends. Please be safe!

Sincerely,  
Michael Weidmann  
AGRA President

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Howdy Folks!

Well, it's time to wish a Happy Birthday to these folks that all share the month of September as their month of birth. We all wish you the very best and may you have many more!

9/1	Tam Keltner
9/12	Dan Iverson
9/12	Kevin McSweeny
9/27	Cary Leibowitz
9/27	Michael Nelson

As of August 8th, our 2010 membership stands at 76 with 7 Champion members. Summer always seems to be slow for growth in membership. It would be nice if we could break that cycle and make this the best summer we have ever had for new members.

I would also like to encourage members to attend the General Membership Meetings. Even in the slowest of times for AGRA, your presence is always important. We want to keep the interest in our organization as high as possible.

Saddle Up folks!!

Bob Shukis  
2010 Secretary





Hello AGRA Membership, here is the financial report:		<b><u>Rodeo</u></b>	<b><u>Non-Rodeo</u></b>
<b>July:</b>		<b>Income:</b>	<b>Income:</b>
Balance Sheet	Total Assets		Membership Dues \$325
\$18461.85			Grand Ol' Opry \$500
Checking		<b>Expenses:</b>	<b>Expenses:</b>
CD		Ambulance \$1687.50	Credit Card Expense \$78.65
Non Rodeo	Jul Net Income	Transfer to 2011 Rodeo	Membership Expenses
Rodeo	Jul Net Income	\$3299.07	\$304.60
Year to Date 2010 Rodeo Net Income		Donations \$7459.69	AGRA Sponsorships \$1275
<b>Books Closed</b>			Office Expenses \$222.03
			AGRA Donations \$200

The books have not closed for Aug yet.

<b>August:</b>		
Balance Sheet	Total Assets	\$17382.79
Checking		\$4929.94
CD		\$12461.85
Non Rodeo	Aug Net Income	<\$641.95>
Rodeo	Aug Net Income	\$0
Year to Date 2011 Rodeo Net Income		\$0

<b><u>Rodeo</u></b>	<b><u>Non-Rodeo</u></b>
<b>Income:</b>	<b>Income:</b>
	Membership Dues \$36
<b>Expenses:</b>	<b>Expenses:</b>
	Credit Card Expense \$77.95
	Annual Dues \$600



Jai  
AGRA Treasurer



## Sizzling Summer Updates from Public Relations---

Visitors to the [agra-phx.com](http://agra-phx.com) website have been seeing some big changes. From the Home page to Vendors to Spectators, they are seeing the big orange "Get Your Tickets Now" buttons. They are posted to make it easier than ever for everyone to start buying their tickets for the 2011 Road Runner Regional Rodeo. So... tell your friends, neighbors, and mom & dad to log on and purchase their tickets now!

And don't forget that the rodeo poster contest is heating up. If you are feeling artistic--- and want to win \$200--- read the rules on the bulletin board at Charlie's or find them on the [agra-phx.com](http://agra-phx.com) website. Submissions are due by the start of the AGRA membership meeting Sunday, September 19 at 4pm. Poster submissions can also be accepted earlier by your friendly, neighbor PR person. Just contact me at 623-203-9305 or at [3destiny@msn.com](mailto:3destiny@msn.com)

Let's see... what else is happening... AGRA was contacted by a television station in Barcelona (that's in Spain--- I'm just sayin') to give a demonstration of Western rodeo. Plans started to come together, but the producer's needs changed, so our Spanish friends had to postpone their visit to Arizona. Hopefully, they will want to come back when our weather cools off. And honestly, I don't know too many horses or riders that want to perform in 110 degree heat. Thanks to Ferdy Bear for offering to help with this project!

That's all for now. See y'all around town ...

Greg Gillum  
Public Relations Director



## Trustee's Report

If you are planning to attend the IGRA World Gay Rodeo Finals in Laughlin, Nevada in October, be sure to check the IGRA website and make your hotel reservations now. The deadline to make reservations and get the special/preferred room rate is September 9, 2010. Call 1-800-284-2946 between the hours of 8:00 am and 10:00 pm to make a reservation. The group name is IGRA Rodeo, and the group code is GICGRA10.

You can also find ticket prices on the IGRA website. We negotiated some very good food prices. Friday night beach BBQ buffet is \$10.00, and the Sunday awards ceremony dinner is only \$12.00. Saturday and Sunday breakfast buffet will also be available from 6:00-8:00 am for only \$5.00 each day. Tickets may be purchased on line at the IGRA website or on-site beginning Thursday afternoon of rodeo weekend.

Our 2011 IGRA Membership Renewal packet was mailed on August 30, 2010 although the postmark deadline is September 14. I have also submitted all of our IGRA awards nominations and the Convention Delegate/Alternate Delegate list.

If you are attending convention, I encourage you to make your hotel reservations now. And, be sure to check the IGRA website for prices for the various events. Remember: If you are going as a Delegate or Alternate Delegate, you do not need to complete the registration form. I will complete a registration form for all Delegates/Alternate Delegates and submit it with a check for the registration fees.

I should have more to report for the next issue since we have an IGRA Board Meeting and Trustees' Meeting on September 3, 2010 in Kansas City.

Ron Trusley  
AGRA Trustee



# Meeting Schedules

## AGRA Board Meeting Schedule 2010-2011

(Charlie's Office)

May 12

June 2

July 14

Aug 4

September 15

October 13

November 3

December 8

January 5

February 2

## AGRA Membership Meeting Schedule 2010-2011

(Charlie's Dance Floor)

May 16

June 6

July 18

Aug 8

September 19

October 17

November 7

December 12

January 9

February 6

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