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APRIL 2004

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Where - What - When

April 2004

- 2-4 Bighorn Rodeo
Las Vegas, NV
- 10 GLAC-Chapter Meeting - LA
- 10 Country Night
Hamburger Mary's LB
- 10-11 Oakland Saddle Club Rodeo
Oakland, CA
- 16 Rodeo Night
Oil Can Harry's - Studio City
- 17 GPSC-Chapter Meeting - PS
- 17-18 Auburn Wild West Stampede
Auburn, CA
- 24-25 GSGRA Gymkhana Ed-Weekend
Palm Springs, CA
- 23-25 Lakeside Rodeo
Lakeside, CA
- 23-25 Springville Sierra Rodeo
Springville, CA
- 30 Oil Can Harry's - Studio City

May 2004

- 1-2 GSGRA - Annual Convention
Burbank Airport Hilton LA
- 9 BA Line Dance Competition
Sundance Saloon- SF
- 10 GLAC-Chapter Meeting - LB
- 14-16 Comstock Stampede
Sparks, NV
- 21-23 Long Beach Pride
- 22 MR/MS/MissBA Rodeo 2004
Marlena's - S.F.
- 23 BA Couple Dance Competition
Sundance Saloon- SF
- 28-30 Great Plains Rodeo
Oklahom City, OK

June 2004

- 3-6 Valley Fair & Rodeo
San Fernando, CA
- 18-20 Los Angeles Pride
- 18-20 Zia Regional Rodeo
Albuquerque, NM
- 26-27 San Francisco Pride
- 26-27 Hesperia Championship Rodeo
Hesperia, CA

July 2004

- 2-4 North Star Rodeo
Minneapolis/St Paul, MN
- 2-4 Canadian Rockies Intl Rodeo
Calgary Alberta
- 9-11 Rocky Mountain Rodeo
Denver, Co
- 13-18 Salinas Rodeo
Salinas, CA
- 29 Sonama County Fair Rodeo
Santa Rosa, CA (thru Aug 9)
- 30-1 Greater Motown Intl Rodeo Part V
Detroit, MI
- 30-1 San Diego Pride

Want your event listed in
What Where and When?

Keep us informed and we will keep all GSGRA members informed. E-mail your suggestions and event details to us at membership@gsgra.org.



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20TH ANNIVERSARY

CONVENTION 2004

Saturday, May 1, 2004 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday, May 2, 2004 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Hilton
Burbank Airport & Convention Center
2500 N. Hollywood Way / Burbank, CA 91505
(800) HILTONS (800) 455-8667
Ask for the GSGRA Convention Rate

\$ 99.00 per night Single / Double \$ 148.00 per night Junior Suite

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April 2004



Don't Waite.....

Educate This month we are going to follow up on calf roping practice. The person's mental attitude during practice

makes all the difference in obtaining the most form those sessions. Get into the habit of practicing just because you know you have to practice and put in the time, always working on solving specific problems or working to obtain specific goals. Practice to win - to be a better roper tomorrow than you are today. Okay, so you are practicing roping the dummy. You're beginning to feel comfortable with a rope in your hands; you're throwing hard with plenty of follow-through, making catches, ripping the slack out and pitching it straight up. Now, here is something else to try-try feeding the loop, starting with a slightly smaller loop in your hand than your want to throw. Not every great calf roper through the years has fed his loop-that is, slipped a little extra rope in the loop before he threw it, most of the ropers do this. Start with a smaller loop because you can get it up and swinging faster. Actually, make one swing and then feed, and then you should be ready to catch from that point on. Catch on the second swing if the opportunity is there. You feed a loop by learning to let a little tail slip through your hand while swinging. This extra rope comes from between your hands. The centrifugal force of the loop moving around your head will pull whatever additional rope you want into the loop, and again, this is a personal factor. Use a fairly small loop for roping calves. It all boils down to whatever size loop you learn to feel most comfortable with, whatever you can handle. This concludes our education on calf roping. Roy Cooper provides this information in the book Calf Roping, which is part of our GSGRA Library. For everyone attending the State Board Meeting in Palm Springs, February's education will be on marketing. This presentation should be as strong as the one on ethic you received at the November meeting.

Roz Campbell
Education Chair
Education@GSGRA.com

WEAR YOUR RODEO PRIDE

Our 20th Anniversary Pins are now available and will be for sale at the Las Vegas Rodeo for \$5 each. The BAC is taking the Mighty Bronco to Las Vegas for the rodeo. Our new hat pins I will be in their booth or you can reach Jim Hauck at vpadmin@bayarearodeo.com

FROM OUR TRUSTED TRUSTEE

Rule Interpretations
Officials: Rodeo rule I, Section 19 (page 4 in the IGRA handbook and page 9 in the small rodeo rule book. Each rodeo shall have the following rodeo personnel wearing shirt designs approved by the IGRA Board of Directors, or the following colored vests, so the official designation is clearly visible. Goat Dressing: Rodeo rule XI, section 4, sub section D, paragraph 3 (page 54 in the IGRA handbook and page 62 in the small rodeo rule book) Rule interpreted to mean contestants must have both feet behind the plane of the starting line

Variances:
Canadian Rockies International Rodeo, Calgary, AB, Canada - July 2-4, 2004. Use wild cows instead

of steers for steer riding. (February 13, 2004)
Capital City Rodeo - Austin, TX - September 24-26, 2004. Use three (3) bucking chutes instead of the required four (4). Arena width of 99 feet instead of the required 100 feet. (February 13, 2004)
Thank You
Al Wright



Greetings from the Royalty Team

The team made a good showing at the San Francisco Imperial Court coronation on February 28th. The team congratulates Empress Snatch and Emperor Michael for the successful completion of their reign and good luck to the newly elected Empress China Silk and Emperor Fernando. We look forward to working with the Imperial Court to strengthen the ties between our organization and their organization. In other coronation news, the team would also like to congratulate the newly elected Empress Mother Love of Long Beach. Mother Love has always been a good friend of gay rodeo and we look forward to working with her court as well. Miss GSGRA, Anita Name, Mr. GSGRA, 1st Runner

Up, Phillip Evans, and Miss GSGRA 1st Runner Up Anjelica Devarox attended the San Jose Imperial Court coronation on March 13th where they represented our organization with dignity. Mr. GSGRA, Eric Ziegler, attended the Cowtown Rodeo in Ft. Worth, TX. He was proud to lead a very large contingent of GSGRA members in the Grand Entry foot parade on Saturday. Congratulations and thanks are in order for TGRA for making everyone feel welcome and for putting on such a fun rodeo. The team would like to send our best wishes to Travis G. and we wish him a speedy recovery from his injuries that he sustained in Ft. Worth. Anita, Phillip and Anjelica will be working the Castro on Friday, March 26th, as they participate in the BAC "Cowboys in the Castro" bar crawl...I'm sure a good time will be had by all as the liquor is poured and the cowboys and cowgirls start to 'crawl'. Eric will be found at Kicker's in San Diego, on the same night, where the GSDC is gearing up for the first Best A \$\$ in Denim contest of the new year. This contest is always a fun event, cause who doesn't like looking at cowboys and cowgirls in tight wranglers? The next rodeo on the IGRA circuit is the Bighorn Rodeo in Las Vegas. We are looking forward to a fun weekend with a large contingent of GSGRA members present. Mark your calendars for April 30 - May 2, this is the weekend of the GSGRA Annual Convention and Meeting of the Membership. This weekend will mark the kickoff of the 20th Anniversary of GSGRA and rumor has it that GLAC has some great things planned. The royalty team will be working closely with GLAC to provide entertainment, dancing, and recognition of our past 20 years of royalty. Visit www.larodeo.com for more information about the host hotel and convention details. As the Gay Pride season approaches the team will be busy marching in parades and working booths, if your Chapter would like to have the royalty present at your Pride events, please let us all know ASAP so we can work out the scheduling details. You can reach the team at www.gsgra.org. The Pride season kicks off with the Long Beach Pride (May 22 - 23). Well that's about all from the royalty corner for now. Don't forget to keep us informed of all your events, as convention gets closer we'll be looking over the events of each Chapter to determine the new winner of the Spirit Stick.



The Golden State Gay Rodeo Association is celebrating it's 20th Anniversary, and we plan to party like only Californian's know how.

Start blocking your calendar now for what is going to be a year of great parties, fantastic "earth shaking" rodeos and fun. We kick it all off on the weekend of April 30, May 1, and May 2 with the 20th Anniversary dinner/dance and reunion. This should be a great party at the Burbank Hilton, the host hotel for the LA Rodeo. Additionally, we have a fantastic dance contest planned for the Saturday of the Best Buck in the Bay in August, a great Boots and Saddles Buckle Program for competitors in all GSGRA Rodeos and a crowing of 20th Anniversary Royalty in San Diego in November. We hope you can make it to all of our 20th Anniversary celebrations. For more details please check out www.gsgra.org. Thanks. Jim Hauck 20th Anniversary Chairperson

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The Nominations Committee

is collecting nominations for state offices, though they are slow in coming. A notice seeking nominations ran in the January and February issues of the Chute, and here is the last one before the big elections day... The nominations timetable: Nominations must be submitted by March 15, 2003, to Kelly Gilliland (kggill@cox.net), but by the time you read this that date has come and gone, HOWEVER, Nominations can be taken on the floor with the member present to accept the nomination. Election is at the Annual State Membership Meeting on April 30- May 1-2, 2004 in Los Angeles (Nominations also can be made during the election meeting, provided the nominee is present to accept or has submitted written acceptance beforehand.) Nominees must have joined GSGRA prior to April 30 2003, and must have been a GSGRA member for a minimum of one continuous year prior to the election date.

Offices for which nominations are requested:
The following individuals have accepted there nomination for the position:
GSGRA President: Jabby Love

GSGRA Admin VP

John Carrillo

GSGRA VP Rodeo Ops

Jim Hauck

Jim Jennings

GSGRA Treasurer

Thom Brennan

GSGRA Secretary

Open

GSGRA Trustee

James Gearity

(a three year term to take effect Jan 05)

Bill Chapman

Remember nominations can still be made at the State Board Elections in person. If you have any Questions please contact me at Kggill@cox.net. Kelly Gilliland, Chair

State Archives Committee

Request For Information...

The State Archives Committee has developed a new form to solicit accurate and updated information from all current and former members of the GSGRA.

As we celebrate our 20th

year of Gay Rodeo

in California, we

are attempting

to collect as much

information about the

membership and their

Contributions to our great organization.

Much of the information we have already

and we simply want to validate that are records are

correct. However, in some cases our records

are incomplete or inaccurate so we are offering

everyone the opportunity to set the record

straight...so to speak!

Much of our Rodeo History includes folks who are

no longer members and those who have passed

before us. We are also looking for information

about those people and their contributions to our

organization. Therefore, you may complete the

Request For Information form for your friends and

loved ones so that their story is included. In addition,

if you know someone who is no longer an

active member, encourage them to complete a

form so their story is included for the time they

spent with us.

The information we collect will be used to complete the official GSGRA Archives. We will use the information in a variety of ways, including developing mailing lists for special mailings and invitations to GSGRA events, creating lists of past Officers, Royalty, Buckle Winners, etc., as well as including the information in Archives Binders and displays at Rodeos and special events. Participation is completely voluntary and just like a "NO PHOTO" request at a rodeo...if you prefer that your information not be included...just let us know!

Please take a few minutes and complete a form today! We appreciate your participation! The Request For Information form is currently available online at www.gsgra.org. Look in the ADMIN section under ARCHIVES.

Growth & Development

Just a reminder to get your orders in for your new TEAM GSGRA name badges. A sample picture of the badge as well as downloadable order forms can be obtained at www.gsgra.org. The special

limited time pricing is only valid for orders postmarked by June 30, 2004.

After this time,

the badges will revert to the permanent pricing. As an update, the first orders of new badges are complete and ready for mailing. They should be mailed out soon...so if you placed your order early, be watching your mail for your new badge.

The committee is still hammering out the details for the GSGRA All-Around Volunteer Award program. If you are interested in helping to create this program, please contact the Growth & Development Committee Chair, Eric Ziegler at MrGSGRA2004@aol.com. The committee will be submitting to IGRA a flyer to promote the 20th Anniversary GSGRA All-Around Cowboy/Cowgirl Award program. This flyer will be inserted in the second half contestant mailing.



A NEW LOOK FOR OUR 20TH ANIVERSARY

The new GSGRA name badges we have been talking about for months are here. They are a rich blue foil, stamped with red and gold. The artwork matches our Team GSGRA shirts..... And they are beautiful.

For a limited time you can order one of these great, new badges, and the pendants to go with it, at a reduced introductory price. Place your order by June 30, 2004 and you will pay only **\$8.00 for name badges \$2.00 for each pendant** and your order will ship in time for you to be able to wear your rodeo pride at all three California Rodeos this summer.

For orders postmarked after June 30, 2004 the price will be \$10.00 for name badges and \$3.00 for pendants

An order form is available on our website, gsgra.org, or you can reach the membership committee by calling (562)498-3488 or by e-mail at membership@gsgra.org

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Travis Gardner Update

(3/10/2004)

Travis is in good spirits and had no problem getting home on Monday. He said the flight was long, but not overly taxing. He saw his doctor and found out that not only was his leg broken in 3 places and the ankle completely dislocated, but he also tore his bicep. It seems the bruise he got during steer riding was more than just a simple bruise. He is going into surgery on Monday morning to have both the ankle and the bicep repaired. Since his arm is involved, he won't even be able to use crutches. He is going to have to be in a wheelchair until the arm heals. One thing that did come out of all this is that he made the decision to not do any events that entail getting bucked. He figures he can live very happily just doing calf roping, chute dogging, and steer deco.

EDUCATION WEEKEND & GYMHKANA

April 24-25

TriValley

Ranch

Palm

Springs

Cancelled
Sorry



American Airlines Travel Discounts

To use the American Airlines program and get 5%-10% off call 800-433-1790 and give the Star Number **S16294** and the rodeo you are going to. On all other travel on American Airlines use the Business Extra Corporate ID Number **538389**. Please pass this number on to friends and family to use, as IGRA will benefit.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hey Ya'll,

Wow summer is upon us already and it feels great. Hope all is well and everyone is gearing up for the Vegas Rodeo.

We are so sad that we were unable to have the GSGRA Playday in Palm Springs. But we would like to wish Kathy Bachlor the best of luck in her new adventures in South Carolina... we will miss her.

Want to remind you that election time is almost here and I'm enclosing the Nominations Committee Report so you can see where we were at so far. Remember you still have time to cast your votes. April 17, 2004 at 2:00pm at the Desert Pride Center in Palm Springs, so everyone please come and join us.

We would like to thank John Johnson for all his hard work in editing all the Chute articles and getting them to Joe Olney. Cowboy up!!!!!!

I would like to let everyone know that I will not be running for president of the chapter this year. I have enjoyed my almost 3 years of serving all of you. Thank you all for letting me represent you. This will be my last article in the chute and I wish the next president all the luck and support of our chapter members. I will be around to help support the chapter in anyway I can.

Please be safe and I will see you at the rodeos - cowboy/cowgirl up !!!!!!!!

Sincerely,
Sylvia Mower
GPSC President

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GREATER PALM SPRINGS CHAPTER NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT March 2004

1. **Nomination Deadline:** This is the Last chance to get your nomination in for the new board of officers before the next report by the nominating committee.

2. **Date & Location of Elections:**
2:00 PM, *SATURDAY*, 17 April 2003
General Membership Meeting
DESERT PRIDE CENTER, PALM SPRINGS

3. **Report of Nominations To Date:**

	<u>Accepted</u>	<u>Declined</u>
President:	Mike	Sylvia, Judy, & Sharon
VP-Admin:	Frank, Polly	
VP-Rodeo:	Frank, Judy, Keith	Sylvia
Secretary:	Judy	Rosie, Sharon, Keith
Treasurer:	Judy	Rosie, Sylvia, Ed
3 State Reps:	Frank, Keith, Ed, Sharon	Judy
2 Alt. State Reps:	Polly, Randy, Sharon, Sylvia, Ed, Frank, Keith	

4. **Voting Instructions:** In addition to nominees listed on the ballots, last minute nominations may be accepted from the floor. Upon acceptance of nomination from the floor, the names of nominees will be written in on the Voting Ballots provided. All Ballots submitted will be counted and become a part of the minutes of that meeting.

THANK YOU
GPSC BOARD MEMBERS
FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND
DEDICATION TO OUR CHAPTER.

Bay Area News



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Letter From Your President

I am starting this letter with an Official Proclamation: I hereby authorize any chapter member who sees Travis Gardner even APPROACHING a rough stock animal the full authority, on behalf of the BAC Board of Directors, to fully and wholeheartedly slap the ever living shit out of him! In all honesty, I wish you a speedy recovery from your injuries in Ft. Worth. Get well soon because we need to put your ass to work!

I'd then like to thank everyone who showed up to represent the BAC at San Francisco Coronation. We had a full table of great looking cowboys, and it was wonderful to see China and Fernando crowned as Empress and Emperor of San Francisco. I was also delighted to see that Mr. GSGRA Eric Ziegler came up

from southern California to attend the event. Thank you so much Eric...I hope you enjoyed the pizza.

I'd like to make sure that everyone pays attention to the new information being posted regarding our upcoming royalty competition as well as the local dance competition. It would be wonderful to see huge turnout for both of these events. Hopefully we can send a full slate of contestants to the state competition.

Adrian Arteche
BAC President

Next Chapter Meeting

Tuesday, April 13th
7:30 pm

Marlena's
488 Hayes Street, San Francisco

Don't Miss It!

CELEBRATING 20 years of Gay Rodeo in California

SATURDAY - MAY 1, 2004

COMMEMORATIVE DINNER & DANCE



Dinner
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
\$ 45.00 Members
\$ 50.00 Non-Members
Dance included with dinner

Dance
8:00 PM - 1:00 AM
\$ 5.00 Members
\$ 10.00 Non-Members

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20TH ANNIVERSARY

CONVENTION 2004



CONVENTION INFORMATION

Saturday, May 1, 2004 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
 Sunday, May 2, 2004 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
 Hilton Burbank Airport - Junior Ball Room

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

ON-LINE

\$ 45.00
 Deadline April 24th
 (\$ 5.00 Late Fee)
www.larodeo.com
 We are accepting all major credit cards through paypal

BY MAIL

\$ 45.00
 Deadline April 24th
 (\$ 5.00 Late Fee)
 PAYABLE TO
 GSGRA-GLAC
 P.O. Box 2407
 Long Beach CA, 90801

ON-SITE

\$ 50.00
 Junior Ballroom
 (Hotel Main Lobby)
 at 8:00 AM
 Cash, Check,
 Visa or MasterCard Only

HOTEL INFORMATION



Hilton

Burbank Airport & Convention Center
 2500 N. Hollywood Way / Burbank, CA 91505
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\$ 99.00 per night Single / Double \$ 148.00 per night Junior Suite

Bay Area Dance Competition

Winners will represent the chapter at the State Competition in August.

May 9th
 6-7 Line Dance Contest

May 23rd
 6-7:30 Couples Contest

Sundance Saloon

Mr/Miss/Ms Bay Area Rodeo '04 Royalty Competition

Saturday, May 22nd
 Marlena's
 San Francisco

Complete competition info, rules, and forms available at www.bayarearodeo.com



All having a great time at San Francisco Coronation!

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SD SENTINEL

Be sure to mark your calendars for the next meetings of the Greater San Diego Chapter of GSGRA.

April 6, 2-004—General Membership Mtg 7pm
 April 20, 2004—Rodeo Roundtable Mtg 7pm
 May 4, 2004—General Membership Mtg 7pm
 May 18, 2004—Rodeo Roundtable Mtg 7pm

All Meetings will be held at Twigg's CoffeeShop



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2004 ROUNDTABLE POSITIONS

We are pleased to announce the following people have accepted rodeo coordinator positions for the year 2004:

Rodeo Director—J. J.	Hotel Director—Joseph S.
Boots & Briefs—Roberto & Kelly	Entertainment—Spence
Program—Steve W.	Treasury—Michael D.
Secretarial—Roberto R.	Contestant Rep—Steve W.
Hospitality—David N.	Dance Contest—Scott G.
Awards—Omar	Publicity—Angel
Casino Night—Peter H & Anthony O	

We still are looking for people to fill the following positions:

Volunteers	Arena
Safety	Set Design
Tickets	Vendors
Hoedown Sound	

If any one is interested in these positions, please contact either Ed Wallum or JJ.

REMINDER-ELECTIONS

Don't forget that on April 6, at the General Membership meeting we will be holding elections for two Chapter Representatives and two Alternates to the State Board. To be eligible you must be actively affiliated with the Chapter for a period of at least one-year immediately prior to the election. New representatives will be seated on Sunday, May 2 at the State Board meeting in Los Angeles. If you are interested in running please contact any Board Member

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Will & Grace and the Gay Rodeo, now that's "Must See TV!"

The GSGRA-GSDC had the privilege of attending a live taping of Will & Grace on Wed, 3 March. Even though it was a last minute trip, we had 20 people from San Diego join the road trip to the City of Angels. The group had a great time visiting the set of our favorite sitcom, Jack & Karen, oh, I mean Will & Grace, and laughed the night away. The episode entitled "Fred Astaire and Ginger Chicken" is expected to air in early April. A special thank you to Ed W. and David N. for arranging our VIP experience!

Joseph Sims, Events and Activities Chair



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday!

Scott G.
David R.

Paul M.
Joseph S.

A.J.



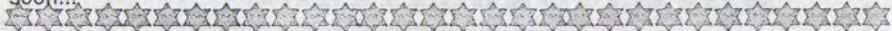
CONTESTANT CORNER

Three contestants from the San Diego Chapter traveled to the Cowtown Rodeo in Fort Worth Texas. The TGRA crew hosted an excellent rodeo and Team San Diego, James G., Joseph S., and Steve W. had a great time representing GSGRA. Although we didn't win big this time...our contestants posted some respectable times and continue to improve in all of their events.

Two contestants tried new events in Texas, Joseph S. teamed up with Steve W. in Steer Decorating and Steve W. competed in Chute Dogging. On Sunday, Joseph and Steve had a good time and finished in 11th place. Steve successfully dogged his steer both days...not bad for his first time out...thanks to the TFC coaches! Also on Sunday, Joseph and Steve placed 10th in Goat Dressing in a very competitive field. James was unable to catch his calf in Texas...but got in some good practice as he continues his quest for an invitation to finals in Calf Roping On Foot.

All in all it was a great rodeo and Team San Diego did a good job competing with some of the top contestants on the circuit. A special thanks to all the other Team GSGRA contestants for a great weekend of sportsmanship and camaraderie. We'll see you all in Vegas in April!!!

And lastly, Team San Diego wishes Travis a speedy recovery from his injuries...get well soon!!!



2004 HOST HOTEL



HANDLERY HOTEL & RESORT

950 Hotel Circle North
San Diego, CA 92108
619 298 0511

www.handlery.com

Group Rates:

\$99.00 per night,

plus tax, currently at 10.5%. Rate is good for single/
double/triple/quad occupancy.

Rate is available 3 days prior to and 3 days after event.

Please mention **GSGRA** to secure this special rate.

Rate is available until Sept 1, 2004 or while space is
available.

Overnight parking is available, with IN and OUT privi-
leges at \$4.00 per night

For Reservations, call the hotel at 1 619 298 0511
or

For online reservations go to www.handlery.com and
click on "Individual Group Reservations" to complete
reservation information.

*Please note that space is limited, so please reserve
your room soon!*



GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER (Cont.)

Country Weds @ Club Ripples

With DJ Rosa, 7 PM to 11 PM, No Cover
\$2.00 Draft Beer, \$3.00 Domestic Bottled Beer
(\$2.00 Domestic Bottled Beer with GSGRA ID)

Mark your Calendars...

April 10, 2004, 10:00 AM

GLAC Chapter Meeting

Plummer Park Community Center, Rm. 3
7377 Santa Monica Blvd. W. Hollywood

April 10, 2004, 6 PM to 10 PM

Country Night @ Hamburger Mary's

740 E. Broadway, Long Beach
(562) 983-7001

April 16, 2004, 9:00 PM

Rodeo Night at Oil Can Harry's.

11502 Ventura Blvd., Studio City, CA
(818)760-9749

April 30, 2004, 9:00 PM

Convention Kick Off Party at

Oil Can Harry's

11502 Ventura Blvd., Studio City, CA
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May 1 & 2, 2004

GSGRA Annual Convention.

Burbank Airport Hilton, Burbank, CA

May 22-23, 2004,

Long Beach Pride.

Long Beach Lesbian and Gay Pride

Future Chapter Meetings

April 10 (Los Angeles)

May 8 (Long Beach)



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ASSETS

Feb 29, 04

Checking/Savings

1010 · Cash in bank - operating	8,198.36
1070 · Reserve Fund	4,949.53
1071 · Memorial Funds	1,851.14

Total Checking/Savings	14,999.03
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1110 · Accounts receivables	7,765.58
1115 · Doubtful accounts allowance	27,358.94

Total Accounts Receivable	35,124.52
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1299 · Undeposited Funds	200.00
1450 · Prepaid expenses	720.00

Total Other Current Assets	920.00
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Total Current Assets	51,043.55
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1745 · Accum deprec- furn,fix,equip	924.00
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Total Fixed Assets	924.00
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TOTAL ASSETS	51,967.55
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LIABILITIES & EQUITY

3001 · Opening Bal Equity	44,118.48
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3010 · Unrestrict (retained earnings)	6,543.85
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Net Income	1,305.22
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Total Equity	51,967.55
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	51,967.55
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G.S.G.R.A. - BALANCE SHEET

Revenue vs Expense March 2003 through February 2004

Ordinary Income/Expense	220.00
Dance Contest	100.00
Donations	30.00
Merchandise Sale	15,569.52
5210 · Membership dues - individuals	63.59
5310 · Interest-savings/short-term inv	15,983.11
Total Income	325.00
Branding and Comm	533.40
Dance Contest Expenses	3,780.67
General Administrative	140.73
Growth & Development	5,045.95
Membership	300.00
Merchandise	811.44
Mr Ms Miss	575.00
Professional Fees	200.00
Rodeo Sponsorships	965.70
Taxes	12,677.89
Total Expense	3,305.22
Net Ordinary Income	1,200.00
David Watkins Memorial Fund	1,000.00
Reserve Funds	2,200.00
Total Other Income	1,400.00
DWMF Contestant Expenses	2,800.00
Rodeo Loss	4,200.00
Total Other Expense	-2,000.00
Net Other Income	1,305.22
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BOOTS AND SADDLES

OF THE GOLDEN STATE



1984 2004
20TH ANNIVERSARY

Official Contest Rules

Top Cowboy, Cowgirl, & Team

All points awarded at the LA Rodeo, Bay Area Rodeo, and the San Diego Rodeo in a specific event will be tallied. The top scoring male, female, and individual team member of each event will be awarded the Boots & Saddles of the Golden State Top Award.

All Around Cowboy and Cowgirl

All points awarded at the LA Rodeo, Bay Area Rodeo, and the San Diego Rodeo from all qualified events will be tallied. The top scoring male and female will be awarded the Boots & Saddles of the Golden State All Around Awards.

Eligibility:

1. The contestant must be in compliance with all I.G.R.A. rules.
2. The contestant must compete in all three G.S.G.R.A. 2004 Rodeos.
3. To qualify for an event Top Award, the contestant must compete in the same event at all three rodeos.
4. To qualify for the All Around Award, the contestant must compete in three of four categories at each rodeo. The categories are Rough Stock, Roping, Speed, and Camp.

Scoring:

1. Points will be awarded to each contestant in accordance with the I.G.R.A. point system.
2. Points will be tallied and audited by the Rodeo Secretary and Auditor.
3. Points will be tallied from all three rodeos.

Prize Distribution:

Top Event Awards = Ribbon All Around Award = Buckle

BUD LIGHT RODEO SERIES

