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**From the desk of the President**

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Time to get the year moving forward. Seems so much time spent on the past that many cannot change or can we do anything about it.

If you have suggestions and ideas then please offer a solution that is achievable . It isn't always about the board fixing a problem you perceive without giving us an idea that will benefit the majority.

March is the time we will select many committee chairs and we are confident we will have a broad interest from our members. We need new input, new "blood" and new motivation to move forward. The same "stale" issues keep coming up but no one has come up with a viable solution to fix it.

How about our by-laws? I see amendments needed in our immediate future. Every member of AGRA can submit changes to the by-laws by presenting them to the Secretary for review. Then the board reviews, if meets all guidelines we will send to the membership for review and decide at a future membership meeting to approve or not. You have that right, make sure your submission will be in the best interest of AGRA.

The RRRR 2010 is our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of rodeo. We need everyone's participation in the coming year to make it a major event. After the rodeo director is selected that individual(s) will need everyone to assist with the event, starting immediately. Be proud and show that you were a part of our biggest party.

I will look forward to hearing from you and let's be positive in moving forward.

Until next time....

Respectfully,

Gary Hatterman

AGRA President

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:**

**25 March 2009**

**Send submissions to:**

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**From the desk of the Vice-President**

No article submitted for March 2009.

**From the desk of the Trustee**

No article submitted for March 2009.

**From the desk of the Treasurer**

No article submitted for March 2009.

**From the desk of the Fund Raising Director**

No article submitted for March 2009.

**From the desk of the Public Relations Director**

No article submitted for March 2009.

**From the desk of the Rodeo Director**

No article submitted for March 2009.

## From the desk of the Secretary

Howdy Cowboys and Cowgirls,

I would like to let you all know that as of the time I write this we currently have 92 members in our association. This is a good start but we need to share our vision for rodeo with our community and continue to bring in new blood for the organization.

We have a lot of business on our plates right now with Phoenix Pride Festival coming in April and our very own Pussy LeHoot putting the final touches together for the Saint Patio Days on the 14th of this month. We need to continue to get the word out for our biggest event of the year. RRRR 2010 has moved to February and our advertising efforts need to show the enormity of our 25th Anniversary of Rodeo. Lets all use our talents and express our desire for the greatest rodeo in the IGRA Circuit.

We are still looking for someone interested in being the Newsletter Committee Chair and produce the Branding Iron. This individual will select a couple of associates to help design a newsletter that will reflect the new AGRA and it's anniversary coming up. The articles can come from any AGRA Member and can include anything that is pertinent to AGRA and the organization. The Branding Iron is not a forum for political agendas or personal opinions. This is a tool to share the information needed to operate our business of Community Support.

Keith A.. Carson

AGRA Secretary 2009

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## **AGRA MEMBERSHIP & BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE**

March Board Meeting 4th @ 7:00pm, Charlie's Offices, 727 W. Camelback Road

March Membership Meeting 8th @ 5:00 pm, Charlie's Dance Floor, 727 W. Camelback Road

April Board Meeting 8th @ 7:00pm, Charlie's Offices, 727 W. Camelback Road

April Membership Meeting 12th @ 5:00pm, Unknown

May Board Meeting 6th @ 7:00pm, Charlie's Offices, 727 W. Camelback Road

May Membership Meeting 10th @ 5:00pm, Unknown

June Board Meeting 10th @ 7:00pm, Charlie's Offices, 727 W. Camelback Road

June Membership Meeting 14th @ 5:00pm, Unknown

July Board Meeting 15th @ 7:00pm, Charlie's Offices, 727 W. Camelback Road

July Membership Meeting 19th @ 5:00pm, Unknown

August Board Meeting 5th @ 7:00pm, Charlie's Offices, 727 W. Camelback Road

August Membership Meeting 9th @ 5:00pm, Unknown

September Board Meeting 23rd @ 7:00pm, Charlie's Offices, 727 W. Camelback Road

September Membership Meeting 27th @ 5:00pm, Unknown

October Board Meeting 7th @ 7:00pm, Charlie's Offices, 727 W. Camelback Road

October Membership Meeting 11th @ 5:00pm, Unknown

November Board Meeting 4th @ 7:00pm, Charlie's Offices, 727 W. Camelback Road

November Membership Meeting 8th @ 5:00pm, Unknown

December Board Meeting 9th @ 7:00pm, Charlie's Offices, 727 W. Camelback Road

December Membership Meeting 13th @ 5:00pm, Unknown

January Board Meeting 6th @ 7:00pm, Charlie's Offices, 727 W. Camelback Road

January Membership Meeting 10th @ 5:00pm, Unknown

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