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The Official Newsletter of the Arizona Gay Rodeo Association

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



It seems that things are rather slow right now, but I am sure there will be much more to report in the next few months.

I was unable to attend and help at St Patio Day on March

16. But, I want to thank Claudia B and everyone who helped in any way to make this a successful fund raiser for AGRA. THANK YOU ALL!!!

Our next fund raiser will be Chili Verde Day on May 11. I am sure Claudia B will have lots of good fun things planned for this event. And, I am sure our help would be greatly appreciated. Contact Claudia if you can/will volunteer to help.

Recently there has been confusion about the Directors' and Officers insurance that is available through

IGRA. I believe the IGRA Board recently had a conference call and everything was cleared up. I am sure our Trustee will provide updates in our April 11 Board Meeting and then we can report in the membership meeting.

I will be traveling to Little Rock the last weekend in April to work as Rodeo Secretary at Rodeo In The Rock. Hopefully, I will see a few of our rodeo contestants competing in that rodeo.

Two people have volunteered to serve on the Election Committee for 2019. I still need one more person to complete the committee. Just let me know if you are interested.

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VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Howdy,

The royalty team has been busy this last month out representing AGRA at different community events.

Miss AGRA 1st Runner-Up Nikki Starr attended Heels and Harness, Southwest Leather Sir Leather boy Contest, AGRA St. Patio Day Show, and attended Texas Coronation.

Miss AGRA 2nd Runner-Up Celeste Powers attended AGRA St. Patio Day Show, Chili Cook Off, and 2 Spirit Pow Wows.

Mr AGRA Mahlon Lovell attended Southwest Leather Sir Leather Boy Contest.

Mr 1st Runner-Up Rayan Knopp attended Heels and Harness, Southwest Leather Sir Leather Boy Contest, and AGRA St. Patio Day Show, and attended Texas Coronation

The royalty team have Fundraisers coming up on April 27 at Nu Towne Saloon, look for their posting and come out and support them.

Travis and Ionna have been out raising money for IGRA as part of their requirements as Title holders. They have a show April 20th at Bunkhouse.

Michael Butts
Vice President



UPCOMING EVENTS APRIL 2019

April 14
AGRA Membership Meeting
@ Charlie's
3:00 pm

April 20
MR IGRA Travis James
IGRA Fundraiser
@ Bunkhouse
9:30 pm

Through April 20
MR AGRA Mahlon Lovell
IGRA Fundraiser
"Save It or Shave It"

MAY 2019

May 9
AGRA Board Meeting
7:00 pm

May 11
AGRA Fundraiser
Chili Verde Day @ Charlie's

May 12
AGRA Membership Meeting
@ Charlie's
3:00 pm

RODEO DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Unfortunately we have not been able to close the 2019 rodeo books at the time of this writing. We are still working to finalize our accounts receivables and accounts payable. But, everything should be taken care of very soon.

I am sure we will realize a profit, but I am just unsure as to how much it will be.

I want to start having 2020 Rodeo Planning Committee Meetings very soon. The first meeting might be in April. As soon as I know when the first meeting will be, I will

ask our Secretary to send notice to all AGRA members. So, if you are interested in being on the committee, please let me know.

As soon as everything is finalized from the 2019 rodeo, I will provide a more detailed report.

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TRUSTEE'S REPORT

Well y'all rodeo season is up and running. There are two rodeos coming up quickly and are back to back to each other. The first one is Diamond State Rodeo Association's Rodeo in the Rock April 26th -28th 2019. It will be held at the Arkansas State Fairgrounds Little Rock, AR. You can get all the details at DSRA.org.

The second rodeo is the Hot Rodeo in Banning, CA. on May 3rd- 5th 2019. Its a fun rodeo an just a short drive for all of us that live out here in Arizona. Plus they are always looking for people to jump in and help out working on all the crews.

Also for all of you that are competitors there is some exciting news. We have a new registration system that is now being used. We are now using Rodeo management system to register. So you must go to www.rodeosystem.com to register. The first time you use the system your temp password will be IGRA-xxxx (all capital letters, plus the dash and your current 4 digit contestant number).

I will be at both of these rodeos and hope to see some of you there.

RJ Mikels

Trustee

CLAUDIA'S CORNER



First off thank you so much for the three people helped endlessly on our March 16th fundraiser. The Mikels with out you three I would have been crazy. Pussy helping auction our baskets. And our other performers who donated time and money.

I made a commitment to raise 20,000 for our organization this year. I am asking for help. One more time I need your help to make this a success. It's not just showing up to meetings. We

need to volunteer. There are many things that need done in preparation.

Our next fundraisers this month is a patio show on April 20th. I also need a few men to sell jello shots on April 14th a Sunday afternoon. And finally a Wednesday night show at Club Volt. I am extremely excited and look foward to this year and all the work we can do together.

In service.....

Joshua Sipe (aka Claudia B.)

Fundraising Director

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

Happy April 2019 AGRA Members!

We are currently at 72 Members!

Happy Birthday AGRA Members born in April:

4/8 Jess Losoya

4/8 Jay Lovejoy

Chris Fairbrother (Christi Mikels)

Secretary

ROCK BAND

80's Themed Entertainment Beer Bust

Showtime 9:30 pm



April 20th