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The Official Newsletter of the Arizona Gay Rodeo Association

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



I would like to remind everyone that the Board Retreat is planned for Sunday – June 02, 2019.

The retreat should be fun and a good learning experience for all of us as we

share and learn together. Although, it is called a Board Retreat, it is open to any AGRA member, and I strongly encourage all current board members, current royalty, anyone who thinks they might be interested in a board position or a royalty title to attend. Of course, anyone who just has interest is also invited and encouraged to attend. Please let me know if you want to attend, and there is no cost to attendees.

In just a few short months, we

will accept nominations and vote for delegates and alternates to the 2019 IGRA Annual Convention that will be in Denver, Colorado. So, if you are interested in attending as a delegate or alternate, be sure you are nominated.

Thanks to each and every member who attends and participates in the monthly membership meetings. Your participation is valuable, and every vote is important.

If you have ideas or suggestions about how we could improve AGRA, please let me know.

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UPCOMING EVENTS 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

JUNE 2019

June 1
AGRA Fundraiser
Grand Ole Opry @ Charlie's

June 2
AGRA Retreat

June 13
AGRA Board Meeting
7:00pm

June 16
AGRA Membership Meeting
@ Charlie's
3:00 pm



RODEO DIRECTOR'S REPORT

We expect close the 2019 rodeo books by the end of April and then be able to give an accurate financial report in our May 12 membership meeting.

As approved by members in the April 14 membership meeting, each of the seven organizations will receive an equal amount of the rodeo profits. Checks will be presented in the May 12 membership meeting.

I want to remind everyone to please let me know if you want to be on the 2020 Rodeo Planning Committee as I will schedule the first meeting within the next few weeks. In the

first meeting, I would hope to appoint as many coordinators as possible.

We should have the Sponsorship Packet available soon. I encourage each of you to review the packet and try to get a commitment from at least one sponsor. Already, two different people have approached me about sponsoring buckles.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT



Jorge Felix
Tom Workman

Happy May 2019
AGRA Members!
We are currently at 81
Members
Welcome our Newest
AGRA Members:
Ethan Bate
AJ Cavanagh
Jeff Francisco

Happy Birthday AGRA Members
born in May:

5/2 Derrick Turner
5/6 George Vissichelli
5/7 Tim Dougherty
5/9 Michael Weidmann
5/12 Ziad Alsharmani
5/16 Edgar Garcia
5/22 Brian Crum
5/17 Steve Konkle
5/19 RJ Mikels

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EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT REPORT

I'm pleased to announce that the first raffle benefiting the 2020 Arizona Gay Rodeo is underway! This year we are doing something really exciting with a Trip for Two to Denver Pride! This prize package includes airfare for two (departing Phoenix on June 14, returning June 17), hotel accommodations, two \$100 Charlie's Gift Cards, and two Charlie's swag packages including hats, limited edition Charlie's Pride t-shirts, and more!

Tickets are on sale now with Charlie's bartenders. Any AGRA member wishing to sell tickets can



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Thank you,

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WIN A TRIP FOR 2 TO



DENVER PRIDE

JUNE 14-17

A FUNDRAISER FOR
THE 2020 ARIZONA
GAY RODEO

DEPART PHOENIX FRIDAY, JUNE 14, RETURN TO PHOENIX MONDAY, JUNE 17
DRAWING WILL BE HELD MONDAY, JUNE 3.

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AIRFARE & HOTEL
FOR 2! PLUS: TWO \$100
CHARLIE'S GIFT CARDS &
CHARLIE'S SWAG PACKAGE!**

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\$10
per ticket

