



## LEAVE YOUR HEART IN SAN FRANCISCO

Friday, September 3 will be the start of the 2010 Convention hosted by the Golden Gate Smooth Dancers. The afternoon will feature registration and hospitality by San Francisco.

Friday evening's theme is "Bay to Breakers" an annual foot race of 7 1/2 miles. You are requested to come dressed in your running clothes or a costume of your choice. There will be entertainment and surprises as well as the Team Match where you can root for vour favorite racers.

SoMa stands for South of Market and represents a On Saturday neighborhood. afternoon, GGSD has chosen to pay tribute to the Latin influence in their city with the SoMa Salsa Dance which will include a lesson in a line dance. Dress colorfully, Latino style, and be ready to dance to great Latin rhythms.

Saturday evening at the Nob Hill High Society Dance we will dress in formal clothes for the dinner dance and State Queen Coronation. Competitions in 3 and 4 star American Smooth (Continued on Page 2)

## NATIONAL SMOOTH DANCERS **GOLDEN GATE CHAPTER PROGRAM FOR STATE CONVENTION 2010**

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6:30 PM	No Host Cocktails
7:00 PM	General Dancing "All That Jazz & Alcatraz"Ballroom Competitions 3 & 4 Star Int. Standard, 3 Star Rhythm
10:30	Professional Exhibition
11:00 PM	HospitalityTBA
MONDAY, SEP	TEMBER 6, 2010
9:00 AM	Farewell Breakfast and AwardsBallroom

\*Denotes event not included in package price of \$169.00 by August 1 \$184.00 thereafter. All contestants must be NSD members and must purchase package plan. Make Checks payable to Golden Gate Smooth Dancers. Send to Rita Parma 251 Wicklow Dr., So. San Francisco, CA 94080. Please make hotel reservations by August 1. (650) 570-5700 (\$117.00 + Tax) Ask for Golden Gate Smooth Dancers group rate.

## Los Angeles Chapter Social Calendar

Sunday, July 11 .....1:00 PM Tea Dance - El Monte Sunday, August 8 .....1:00 PM Hawaiian Party - El Monte Friday, September 3-6 Convention - San Francisco Sunday, Sept.12 ......1:00 PM "Roaring Twenties "- El Monte Sunday, October 10 ....1:00 PM Black & White Ball - El Monte Sunday, November 14 1:00 PM Thanksgiving Dance - El Monte Sunday, December 5 .. 1:00 PM Christmas Party - El Monte



TEA DANCE

On Sunday, July 11, we will have our annual Red. White and Blue theme at our Installation Tea Dance at the El Monte Senior Center, 3120 Tyler Ave., El Monte.

The meeting will start at 1:00 P.M. followed by a dance lesson and general dancing.

Light refreshments will be served about 3:45 P.M. The price is \$12.00 for members and quests. Reservations should be made by July 8.

Checks should be made pavable to NSD and sent to Susan Johnson, 2328 Loma Vista St., Pasadena, CA. Phone (626) 794-1101.

### HAWAIIAN PARTY

Our August Dance will have a Hawaiian theme and will be held on Sunday, August 8 at the El Monte Senior Center.

The Business meeting will begin at 1:00 P.M. There will be a dance lesson with general dancing to follow.

At about 3:45 P.M. light refreshments will be served. The price for members and guests is \$12.00 per person.

Make checks payable to NSD and send to Susan Johnson at the address above by Aug. 5th.

Our monthly dances are always fun. We need the support of all of our members and quests are welcome.

Hawaiian style dress is encouraged.



We have missed Stewart and Sylvia Skyrha who have not been able to attend our dances due to illness. They do plan to travel to Davenport, Iowa in August to attend the last dance of Jack Morgan who is retiring. Music in the Morgan manner has long been a favorite of ours. We took several cruises where he played and also enjoyed his music at the Mayflower Ballroom.

Susan Johnson has officially retired. She and Chuck left after our May Dance for their 31 day cruise on the 700 passenger Ocean Princess. They flew to Capetown, South Africa and will visit the Canary Islands, Casablanca, Spain, Portugal, France and London.

Don Russell has recovered enough from his fall so that he and Jan could take a one week Princess cruise to Mexico.

It was nice to hear from the Swadowskis. They are very happy in their Florida home after 6 years. Not doing much dancing, but they have many other activities. Monique volunteers as a Guardian for foster children. In September she will go to France with one of her 19 year old granddaughters where she will be an exchange student. One of their sons is now in Miami.

Pat Fritch went to Georgia to visit her grandson and great granddaughters. She also took a friend to Branson to enjoy the shows.

Eleanor Terry went to Santa Clara to attend the graduation of her granddaughter from the University there. She will get her B.S. degree as a nursing practitioner.

Tina Van Zandt will travel to Pennsylvania for a family reunion in the local mountains.

I recently welcomed my first great grandchild as my grandson and his wife had a baby boy named Preston. I can't remember them being so tiny! So I can'cross that off my "Bucket List". Now if I can only find a cruise to Cuba.

#### SUMMERTIME

Pale green tablecloths topped with vases of bright flowers graced the tables for our 'Sumertime" party on June 13. Chris Lloyd took reservations and Gordon sat on the door.

In the Johnson's absence, Vice President Kyle Catterlin conducted the meeting with the main order of business to reelect our incumbent officers. .Roger and Susan Lewis gave a dance lesson in Night Club Two Step. This is a new dance for many of us and almost everyone participated. Susan Lewis had prepared music with many numbers in the Summer theme. It was programmed to cover all of the popular dance tempos as well as two mixers.

Chris Lloyd was in charge of refreshments and she outdid herself with turkey pinwheel sandwiches, caesar salad and a delicious orange "Creamcycle" cake made by Susan Lewis, with a light orange cream frosting.

We were surprised and delighted to be joined by Allan and Lesley Scott who we haven't seen in a while. Also, it was good to see Bea Gaspar dancing again.

We missed Jodene Catterlin who was unable to attend because of a back problem. We wish her a speedy recovery.

It was an enjoyable afternoon - one of our best.

(continued from Page 1) and International Latin will be held interspersed with general dancing and mixers. It will be followed by hospitality.

Sunday afternoon's theme is "Union Square Escapades" which refers to a plaza with shopping, hotels and theaters. The name came from the area once used for rallies and support for the Union Army during the Civil War. 1 and 2 star contests will be held. There will be local vendors so you can "Shop til you Drop."

The theme for Sunday evenings "All That Jazz and Alcatraz". The mood is the 1920's with a series of music and dance routines that celebrate "All That Jazz".



MEXICAN FIESTA

On Sunday, May 2, we celebrated Cinco de Mayo at the El Monte Senior Center. Tables were covered with orange and yellow cloths and centered with large, brightly colored paper flowers brought by Liz and originally made by Esther Meyer and Jane Pistole.

We were treated to a lesson in International Waltz given by Ken and Marion Scholtz. Ken was also the music man for the first time. We had a fine mix of tempos, many with Mexican titles. The two mixers were fun and just about everyone there entered in.

It was nice to see our newest members – Victor Lee and Debby Ku back with us.

Throughout the afternoon we were treated to chips and salsa and guacamole from the Johnson's avocado tree. They brought a whole box for us to take home also.

The dessert table was centered with a rainbow colored authentic serape from Liz. A big beautifully decorated cake was served celebrating two anniversaries – the Lloyd's 51st and the Johnson's 37th •

Gentlemen may dress like gangsters or tycoons and ladies as flappers. There will be 3 and 4 star competitions and a professional exhibition.

Due to space limitations, package reservations will be limited to 220, so reserve early to avoid disappointment. Hotel rooms are also filling fast. Call (650) 570-5700 and ask for the Golden Gate Smooth Dancers group rate of \$117.00 plus tax.

For those flying to San Francisco, the hotel has a complimentary shuttle from the airport. Call and let them know your arrival time.

San Francisco always puts on a great convention and this one will be no exception. Don't miss it! Dance Whispers is the publication of the Los Angeles Chapter of the National Smooth Dancers, a non profit organization devoted to the preservation and promotion of ballroom dancing, and is published bimonthly in January, March, May, July, September and November.

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# SAN FERNANDO

## Mark Emanuelli, Editor

Hey dancers! Happy Summer and we hope it is a GREAT one!

First up on my list is a note about your safety. It's summer, time for barbecues. it's camping, and dancing under the stars - or in SFV terms find a place with a working air conditioner and STAY there! We're not alone in dealing with the triple digit temperatures that Mother Nature has in store for the next 90-120 days, so make sure that you all drink a lot of water and take care of vourselves - we want to see everyone at the convention in Golden Gate.

is a placeholder Next reminder - 06 November 2010 will be the Coronation for the SFV Chapter. We have started review of queenly our candidates, and hope to have a queen-elect in the very near future. Currently, plans are to repeat our event staged at our convenient and local Hollywood Academy, the floor is just too big to ignore. But stay tuned, if anyone is used to changing plans, it's us.

That should segue nicely into a remainder to come down and attend one of our monthly dances, if you are in the neighborhood. "Hollywood Academy" has moved some sofas into the back corner to create a quiet little living room, and we now use tables to split the dance floor so that if you want to practice a few moves, there is a smaller floor out of the mainstream.

Dances will continue on the first Saturday of the month until the air conditioning gives out. Keep up to date at:

www.nsdsfv.org

And an NSD member from ANY chapter always pays the MEMBER prices.

Sally and I enjoyed our weekends away as Queen and escort at the Visalia and Fresno Coronations, representing the San Fernando Valley Chapter. Thanks to a wonderful grandma (my mom) we had two wonderful weekends to drive out to the Central Valley and enjoy the

hospitality of our chapters to the North. We enjoyed the coronation of Her Majestv Nancy Cargill in Visalia, and of Her Majesty Kathy Constantino in Fresno. Both events were filled with friendship. laughter and a wonderful NSD spirit. We even got to watch two awesome showpieces from our very own Barbara Greenlaw and Bill Steeber in Fresno as an extra plus. Sometimes we are so busy making our dances happen, we forget what great dancers we have in our midst. You two are awesome! To all of vou in both Visalia and Fresno -Thank you all for your hospitality! We are looking forward to traveling up there again

That about wraps things up in the SFV world of the moment. We hope that you are all going to have a safe and happy summer, and we can't wait to see you all again at the Palomar Coronation and the Golden Gate Convention. We're ready to leave our Hearts in San Francisco!

Reminder on our pricing Non members \$14.00 each. All NSD members \$10.00 Members in attendance at the beginning of our business meeting pay only \$5.00.

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# BAKERSFIELD

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## **Anna Fourie**

In the last issue of "Dance Whispers" I wrote a FYI article on our talented Anna Fourie. I am following up up with her photo.

## LOST

Bob Kandarian lost a special memento during the Board of Directors weekend. It was a wooden mountain climbing stick used to climb Mt. Fuji in the 1950's. It is approximately 5 fee tall and in inch and a half in diameter. The wood has been branded and at the top are small bells and two small Japanese flags. It was near the bandstand. Hopefully someone has knowledge about it.



46 YEARS OF DANCING BSD celebrated their anniversary during the May dance. Jan Mills presented a historical account of how NSD started and the growth of the different chapters.

Queen Kim and Larry Johnson presented a spotlight dance. The past queens and their escorts joined in. It snowballed and almost everyone was on the floor waltzing.

Wayne Chapman won the Gretchen Garretson Award. This award was named after the

lady who started the Bakersfield Chapter and pushed the club to grow. Wayne' deserves this recognition for his dedication and service to BSD.

## SPRING DANCE

The theme of our April dance was "The Rhythm of April Flowers and Drums." In the spotlight were nine students from the Chinese Confucius Church The rhythm of the drums was definitely evident. Thank you Chinese Women's Bakersfield Club of for sponsoring these talented students.

## GET WELL NOTE

Wayne Chapman recently suffered a fall and broke his leg, We wish him a speedy recovery.

## UPCOMING DANCE

The cool place to be on Saturday, June 26, is at the Rasmussen Center where we will have our "Summer dance." Our emcee will be TG Thomas and acting social chair is Frances Hein.

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## CORONATION By Queen Nancy Cargill

## IMAGINE

When I joined The Smooth Dancers, I never imagined that I would be queen. Court jester maybe, but queen, never. It's amazing how things change. I've gone from feeling like an outsider, to part of a family who enjoys dancing. Some families watch TV, or bike. We dance. How lucky we are.

There were months of preparation, and I wouldn't have been able to do it alone. There were lots of willing workers to help make what I had envisioned a reality.

I have received so many wonderful compliments on the decorations and my grandchildren. Thank you for your words of kindness. They are truly appreciated.

I've done my first royal drawing at May's Tea Dance and am looking forward to my first coronation for Kathy Constantino this weekend in Fresno. I'm so excited to see her "Dancing Queen" theme.

All of the queens I have met, past and present, are lovely ladies and have welcomed me wholeheartedly into the queen's circle. Imagine that. Me a queen.

Again, I'd like to thank the Visalia club for giving me the privilege of representing the club this year, and I will do my best to extend kindness and friendship to everyone I meet as it has been extended to me.

## LUAU 2010

Caryl Creason and I are cochairs for the Luau in Exeter on July 10th at the Exeter Memorial Building and are very excited about having Vilya and Hans Kam perform for the club.

They have been dancing the International Latin style. According to Hans, they have been "hooked" on ballroom dancing since they took lessons to prepare for their wedding in 2007.

In April 2008, they took it to the next level by training for competitions. Including the USA Dance Nationals where they were finalists in the Silver Latin division and the Cardinal Classic at Stanford University, where they were awarded first place in three dances and third place in another...

Please also note that Dan Goss will be teaching a Samba lesson at 6 PM. Also thanks to the wonderful work in the kitchen of Linda Guitterrez and Margo Giles, we are keeping the price at last year's \$18.00. So please do come and prepare to enjoy a wonderful evening.

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## Queen Kathy Constantino CORONATION

The Coronation Ball was held June 5, 2010 at the Holt Trinity Armenian Church Social Hall and was attended by 110 members, family and friends. The theme appropriately, was "Dancing Queen". Dancing was certainly a highlight of the evening with, first, a performance by Queen Kathy and her Escort Husband Rick that started and ended in a very upbeat tempo. The Honor Dance was provided by Peter and Marsha Hanson, of the Palomar Chapter.

Later the attendees were entertained by Bill Steeber and Barbara Greenlaw, of the San Fernando Valley Chapter. While being known for their Quick Step, this night they did an Argentine exciting Tango. Amongst the three couples they accounted for eleven Four Star Championships, but in the end they were totally upstaged by two year old Makenzie, the granddaughter of the Constantinos.

Sunday morning, at the Ramada Inn, many attended the farewell breakfast honoring our Past Queen Ann Phillips. Ann dutifully read her poem to the delight of her audience. We certainly thank Ann for her two year tour of duty for us.

#### THE GOOD NEWS

Lorraine Tilton was presented with a new grandson, Ben. Congratulations!

Also congratulations to two of our members, Lorrie Navarro and Dennis Drew, who announced their engagement.

## TRAVEL

Orie and Dolores Reed just returned from a trip to Dubai, where they saw the tallest building in the world. They also reminded us that the elevators don't work. Others who have traveled were Stephen and Shirley Pietrzyk and our own shoe vendors Erna and David Bonetto. Erna and David are also planning a trip to Germany.

## 2011 CONVENTION

Our Board meeting in May was devoted primarily to planning and organizing for the Convention. We turned over the gavel for this meeting to Steve Moore, the Chairman for the convention. Steve reported to the Chapter members that: (1.) Committee chairs had volunteered for the important tasks of the four-day events on September 2nd to the 5th.

(2.) That the Convention committee comprised of himself, as Chairman, Kevin McCready, as Co-Chair, Cissie Vigen, as Treasurer and Kathy Sachse as our "Creative Producer" had met several times since February 14, 2009 and (3.) that plans are well underway.

We asked for others to volunteer to assist the individual event Chairs. We also asked all members who were going to the Golden Gate Convention to contact Kathy Sachse and become part of the cast for our Monday morning presentation. We encourage all our members to participate by attending these meetings.

### SOCIAL & DANCE EVENTS

Our April social was hosted by Cissie Vigen and Sarah Vigen, with help from Ginna Beardon, Kathy Sachse, Patricia Ramirez and Ilene Willingham. We thank them! Mark and Andrea Nelson-Novak taught lessons of Quickstep and Samba. Cyndee Danner FRESNO

# **GOLDEN GATE CHAPTER**

performed a Foxtrot with TG Thomas, from Bakersfield and a Samba with Dan Goss.

#### FIESTA

Our May social was "It's a Fiesta" was hosted by Rick and Kathy Constantino and Bob and Sue Dowell. We thank them for their usual flair. Dan Goss taught the two dance lessons in the Mambo and the Rumba, Kathy Sachse played the music.

## SHOWCASE

On May 8th Dianna's Studio of Dance presented their showcase. The performances included Sharon Crisp dancing a waltz and Wilma Anderson dancing a Bolero. They were Linda Bennett. ioined by Lorraine Tilton and Dennis Drew in freestyles. Wilma, Lorraine, Sharon and Dennis were joined by Lorrie Navarro in Mr. Alex's fox trot formation team.

## VISALIA

On May 15th 22 members of Fresno traveled to Visalia to attend the Coronation of Nancy Cargill. One of the members was Kathryn Qualls, our founder and our first Queen.

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Past Queen Mary Crosat informs us that her ever-loving Ray has been inducted into the San Francisco Police Sports Hall of Fame this last May. While Rav served as Patrolman and later as Sergeant he was Handball Champion and represented the department at all the Police Olympics in California and in other states as well. He and his partner won many gold medals for the Police Department. He says that his handball days are over and now mostly all he does for fun is dance.

We are very saddened to hear of Flovd Parma's dad's passing. Floyd was his caregiver during the last several months. Words cannot express the affection and fortitude required from Floyd and his dear Rita as well to extend their all to make his last days as pleasant as possible. They are two very strong and caring persons. The memorial service for his father was held at the Garden Chapel in So. San Francisco, and as his father was a veteran of the Korean Conflict. the service included a short military ceremony with the presentation of an American Flag to Floyd's mother.

We also wish to report the passing of one of our most joyful members, Sol Rubin. He had a long and very eventful life and was cheerful and argumentative to the very end. Sol was such a lovable individual. Our condolences to his sweet and caring Adelia Dee Barber. We shall truly miss Sol's gruff and feisty presence.

And on the subject of farewells, we wish to pay tribute to a former long term member, Renee Sinclair. She leaves behind her dear Bernie, and we are told that he is beside himself in grief. May he find peace and understanding with time and the loving support of his many friends. Should you wish to call him, the Assisted Living facility at which he is staying is Atria at 250 Myrtle Road, Burlingame, CA 94010, and his phone is (605) 344-0976. William Hage, Editor

The Maltas have three grandsons, the eldest of which is Kevin. This coming Fall, Kevin will be matriculating at the University of California at Santa Barbara. And there will then be two proud grandmothers in the Club with grandsons in UCSB, of course Elena Malta and then Elizabeth Hage, whose grandson enrolled there this past Fall, and who incidentally just loves the school. Let's wish these two exceptional young men the very best. Joe and Elena's son Vince and his wife Julie wanted to live in an area with better schools and sometime back they found a in Burlingame. The place voungest grandson is named Andrew, and he has excelled in that school district, graduating with a 4.0 grade average.

On May 15th the Visalia Chapter held it's Coronation, the first for our new Queen Amy Ansaldi and her husband and escort, Dan. To accompany our new Queen and to share in the excitement was a group for our Chapter including Chuck and Liz Talmadge, George and Ana Dayeh, Gabrielle Von Stephen and Gordon and Sue Robinson.

If, like me, you haven't visited our web site in some time, dial www.GoldenGateDancers.org and see the excellent handiwork of our Web Master, Nadia Tilinin. This very talented member of our Club has set up a very impressive Web Site carrying much information concerningour Chapter.

Our afternoon dance this June attracted 109 members and guests, leaving lot's of room for dancing, but still quite a pleasant gathering. Our dance lesson by Ed Beilin and Gabrielle Von Stephen was the West Coast Swing and it was very well received. John Anzalone decorated the tables, including the serving area, and the place looked fabulous. Our centerpieces included a vintage vinyl record and a spray of colorful flowers while the serving table held a very tall brownishdoid vase with a flower arrangement standing several feet tall. Our catered dinner was comprised of garlic mashed potatoes, barbecued chicken legs and baby back ribs plus a very creamy kernels of corn dish and tasty garlic bread. Dessert was a delicious ice cream sandwich. Now how's that for a first rate afternoon.

As we get closer to the opening day of the 2010 Convention, the frenzy of activity increases weekly. Our Convention Chairs. Gabrielle Von Stephen and Barbara Crawford are scheduling meetings to make certain that all the T's are crossed and the I's are dotted. And Emma Steed is doing her level best to get the dancers coordinated so that they are all doing the same movements at the same time all synch to the music. in squeezing whatever time she can for practice before and after our meetings. Any many others are scrambling to come up with the extra something to make our Convention the very best one vet. And it will be, I assure you. So get your reservations in.

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## SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

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### SOCIAL COMMITTEE

We've had two very enjoyable socials since my last article. We've been without a Social Chair since our elections for the January installation, but that has not kept us from having a string of immensely eniovable theme-oriented dance events We have a since then. committee of four great ladies who bring the most creative talents imaginable to the table to make every social a unique event. Patricia DiSessa, Ann Meador, Kay Ryan, and Caron Schattel are our chapter's current heroines. The Cinco de Mayo party they organized in May was a great celebration. made even better because we the opportunity to took celebrate Anne and Dave Saul's 50th wedding anniversary. Congratulations to two special chapter members and personal friends on achieving a huge milestone in their lives!

#### **BEACH PARTY**

Our June social had a beach party theme and featured our annual ice cream extravaganza. It is no easy feat to bring together enough ice cream, bananas, toppings, and ice to serve sundaes to so many dancers on a hot June night, but our ice cream social was a huge success nonetheless. Our thanks go especially to several club members who took time out from their dancing to serve up the delicious ice cream that our social committee procured. Along with the ice cream, the decorations were great, featuring a slew of sea shells to set a fine seaside atmosphere.

We always encourage guests from other NSD chapters to come down and join us each month, as Cliff and Gerri from San Fernando so often do and as they did again in June (our chapter's thanks and special welcome to you both!). NSD members from other chapters pay the same entrance fee as our own chapter members do at our socials, which are held on the first Saturday of the month at Champion Ballroom, 3580 5th Ave., in San Diego. For details regarding any of our social activities, you can always visit our web site at: www. sdsdwebsite.com

The San Diego Chapter will have a single change in our roster of officers after our July installation. Caron Schattel is assuming the responsibilities of Vice President from Patricia DiSessa, Caron is one of our club's special "core contributors." Although she was still a fairly new member when we began preparing for our 2008 Convention, she contributed a great deal of personal effort to that big event, serving in a wide range of support roles. Since then she has been very active in setting up our monthly socials: as noted above; she is one of the four ladies who handle the Social Chair responsibilities since that position has gone unfilled. Recently retired from a high level executive position with San Diego County, Caron has been an invaluable addition in our club, and we look forward to being the beneficiaries of her great energy as she takes on the role of chapter Vice President.

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## Queen Patricia Roesti QUEEN'S LUNCHEON

The Queen's Luncheon was a joyous affair, which was organized by former Queen Dana Sharon, Eleven Queen's attended and enjoyed an Hawaiian motif. Conversation was stimulating as the many Queen's related the most exciting events of each of their reigns. Total support was given to Queen Elect Pat Roesti, and the one idea shared by all is that "once a Queen, always a Queen".

### CORONATION

Coronation Co-chair persons Eckhard Aschke and Ssook Choi are busily preparing for the Queens and friends from all of the chapters in the National Smooth Dancers. This is always a highlight of our year and we are looking forward to meeting and greeting new and old friends from near and far. Come and accept Queen Pat Roesti's invitation of "Dancing for the Stars with Joy".

## OUTGOING QUEEN PEGGY LEE

Outgoing Queen Peggy Lee and her husband Len took a nine day tour of China and another five days to visit relatives in Taipei, Taiwan. In China they joined a tourist group touring Shanghai, Hangzhou, Huangshan, and Suzhou. They also spent two days with Len's brother and toured a garden of Chinese sculpture. The final highlight of their tour was a boat ride along the Huangpu River while viewing the beautiful nightscape.

Len and Peggy Lee also enjoyed a family reunion when they met with their two daughters, Vivian and Evie and their son Jamie in Sedona, Arizona. They spent three days viewing the awesome red Rock Canyons, and other treasures of the city. The family then toured the Grand Canyon, enjoying the grandeur of one of the Nation's wonders.

## STATE CONVENTION 2010

The National Smooth Dancers 2010 Convention will be hosted by the Golden Gate Chapter September 3, 4, 5,6 in San Francisco. Forms for the Convention can be obtained from Palomar Chapter president Duane Thornton, 348 Penrod St., Vista, CA 92083. Phone (760) 941-0366.

### LAST CALL FOR RESERVATIONS

This is the last call for the 2010 Palomar Chapter Coronation, Ocean Hills Country Club, :Leisure Village Dr., Oceanside, CA 6:00 PM, July 10, 2010.

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