

National Smooth Dancers
Dance Whispers
February 2020



February 9, 2020

Hello Fellow Smooth Dancers,

Attached is the February issue of the Dance Whispers, the first issue of 2020. Happy New Year! The zodiac sign for 2020 is the rat. In Chinese culture, rats are the symbol of fertility and abundance. So let me wish you all a year of abund**ance**. As far as fertility...consider yourself forewarned! But as a thought for this year, may NSD have an abundance of dancing, fun and fellowship, which will create a fertile environment for new members to join our dancing family.

In this issue I found myself impressed with the dancing in store for us in 2020. The year started out quickly with the Los Angeles Coronation on January 11th! The coronation was an exciting evening of dance, be sure to read and experience it on pages 1-2. Page 3 continues an interview with San Diego's queen-elect, Liz Tarnove, who happens to be the sister on now reigning LA queen Shari Herzfeld. We are also introduced to Bakersfield queen-elect, Rose Peterson (p4). The Bakersfield spring dancing event is coming up March 27-29. Be sure to send in your registration, and if you need the information and forms you will find it on pages 13-15. There is a listing of all the 2020 Chapter Officers and Coronation dates (pp 10-11) and plenty of interesting happenings in NSD for you to read about. For instance, what dance is predicted to be the Dance of the Year in 2020 (p8)? Find out which members are stuck on a cruise ship due to the Corona virus (p1). By the way they are fine and healthy!

There are many dance activities coming up, including the San Diego Coronation on March 7th. You will find this flyer and more at the end of the digital issue of the Dance Whispers. I hope this will be helpful in keeping you informed about all the dancing opportunities we have.

I'm looking forward to seeing each of you on the dance floor.

Never Stop Dancing,

Tom Wells
Publishing Editor

National Smooth Dancers

Dance Whispers

February 2020



Los Angeles Chapter

As the sun sets in the west, the LA Chapter has pulled off another seamless coronation. Well, that's after the event, we can say that. We are a well-oiled team machine. Everyone had a job and we all did our best. Our Queen Shari, beamed with confidence and hubby Victor lead her into a stunning waltz, foxtrot and suggestive tango. It was our first coronation to be entertained by a delightful singer. Max Herzfeld serenaded his mother so exquisitely, we were all so enchanted. The table settings of rotating flamingos were comical, the food was delicious and the honor dance was magnificent. Wowza. The pictures on page 2 are just a small portion of our demonstration of fun and frivolities. For the other chapters that assisted us in celebrating this event, we thank you. Shari and Victor, with some travel companions, will be visiting your chapter soon.

Queen's thoughts: "It's Good to Be Queen"

By Queen Shari Herzfeld



Reflecting on my coronation, I couldn't be happier. From now on, any organization I join must have the opportunity to be a queen, or I won't become a member. "It's Good to Be Queen." What a hypnotizing weekend. I was frankly rather terrified at the prospect, but once the party started, it was enjoyable. Who couldn't help but be happy surrounded by flamingos and friends! I'd like to give thanks to all the people who helped to make my coronation weekend a successful event. I'm sure I'll forget someone,

but allow me to mention a few names: My sister, Liz Tarnove, for introducing us to NSD. Sherry Novak for coaching us in our Queen's Dance (any mistakes were purely ours), Chuck & Susan Johnson for the decorations, reservations and giving us practice space. Victor Lee for the delicious hospitality food and Tom & Sandy Wells for music & See's chocolates. Ken & Marion Scholtz were our bartenders, and Queens Alice Mah Miller and Francly Solano for paving my way. I am grateful to the fabulous honor dancers Robin Most, and Brodie Kaster who stepped in for Brian Yip. Ovarions to everyone who came to my coronation and celebrated dancing together. Special thanks go to my son, Max Herzfeld, for his beautiful singing and lastly but not least, to my husband Victor Herzfeld for being my dance partner for life.

Edited by Sandy Wells



Now..Ta da!!!!.We are teaming up with the Garibaldina M.B. Society (oldest Italian society in Los Angeles, Founded in 1877) to present Sunday Tea Dances. This will be a monthly event starting this March 15, 2020. We would like to thank Sandy and Tom Wells for getting this venue for our club.

To access further dates for the tea dances, please check our web site or email Sandy or Tom Wells.



Sunday March 15th, 1:30pm - 4:00pm
Come enjoy dancing the Waltz, Foxtrot, Swing, Cha Cha, Tango, Hustle, Rumba, West Coast Swing, Line Dancing and more.
Dance lesson at 1:45pm
Light finger food and refreshments will be served.

RSVP - Sandy Wells - (310) 649-2573 or
sandysticco@gmail.com



To update you on our members cruising in Asia, Chuck and Susan Johnson, Debby Ku and Victor Lee are all doing well. Due to the Corona virus in China the ports of Taiwan, Manilla, Hong Kong and a couple of others were cancelled because ships were not being allowed to dock. All of the passengers and staff have been screened for fevers and no one on board has tested as ill. Flights home have been rescheduled several times. They are hopeful that they will be allowed to disembark in Singapore, fly to Taiwan and then board a flight home. For now, it looks like they are going to have a few more sea days!

Los Angeles Coronation of Shari Herzfeld



San Diego Chapter

Edited by Frank Lacson and Mark Chapman



Interview with Liz Tarnove, Queen-Elect by Frank Lacson

We continue the SDSA interview series with Liz Tarnove, our Queen Elect. Liz has had the great opportunity to be a Chapter Queen in the same year as her sister, Shari. See the article from the Los Angeles Chapter for a great description of Shari's Flamingo-themed Coronation.

Frank: Liz, thank you for taking the time to talk for Dance Whispers. What drew you into ballroom dancing and into Smooth Dancers, in particular?

Liz: I had started out with vintage dancing. This is the group that puts on the Viennese Nights Ball every year. I love making and wearing costumes, which made it a lot of fun. I was invited to my first Smooth Dancers event where I discovered, to my mortification, that the vintage styles of waltz, tango and foxtrot were nowhere near the ballroom dancing we do today. Challenge accepted!

From there, I started taking lessons with Balboa Park Dancers and local studios. I eventually got brave and attended more San Diego Smooth Dancers socials and found it to be a welcoming environment. It didn't take long to get involved, and the publicity/website roles were a natural fit with my skill set. Like most new members, I didn't really know about the Queen role and what they did, at first.

F: What was the turning point that caused you to pursue the Queen path (the first time around)?

L: It was the 2015 NSD Convention that really got me interested in the wider world of NSD. I was just beginning to get involved and knew some members in my local chapter, but didn't really know many people outside my chapter. When I saw the ~300 dancers on the floor, I was overwhelmed! It hadn't occurred to me to run for Queen, but Lou Reyes encouraged me to think about it. It seemed a great way to connect with the rest of the organization; once I felt I had sufficient qualifications, I applied.

F: This will be your second term as Queen. What are you most excited about in your second term?

L: I'm really excited about having the opportunity to reign with my sister. We have many of the same hobbies (e.g., needlework and costume-making) and look forward to the road trips and other adventures! I'm also excited to apply the lessons learned from my first Queen experience. By planning my own Coronation and attending many others since then, I have more definite ideas on how to proceed.

F: Being able to learn from the first time around of any experience is most important! Tell me some more about the theme for your Coronation, "An Enchanted Forest."

L: I have chosen a relaxing, yet elegant, theme for this year's Coronation. 2019 has been a stressful year – both within the chapter and in the world at large – and I look forward to having this event bring us all together in fellowship and a warm environment. We look forward to hosting our NSD guests from all over the state!

F: What advice would you like to give to any of the newer NSD members reading this article?

L: For those starting out on your SDSA journey, attending conventions and supporting the Coronations is a great way to know people in other chapters. There are many ways to help out!

For those thinking about being Queen: go for it! It does take some time, but the chapter and all the other SDSA Queens are here to support you. It's hard to describe the fellowship of the Queens, but it has enhanced my NSD experience immensely. I'd imagine this is similar to the lifelong sisterhood of the sorority experience (I never joined one). Not to mention, after your own Coronation, the planning is over. All there is to do is attend the other parties!

F: Thank you for your time and we at San Diego look forward to seeing you at your SDSA Coronation and other events!



Royal Sisters: Los Angeles Chapter Queen Shari Herzfeld and San Diego Chapter Queen-elect Liz Tarnove, then and now!



Bakersfield Chapter

Edited by Liora Malicdem



Many of you already know our Queen-elect, Rose Peterson. She has been a selfless supporter of Smooth Dancers for more than 15 years. She and her husband, Steve, occasionally compete at conventions held outside of Bakersfield, and they generously teach introductory lessons at Bakersfield dance clubs' monthly dances. My husband, Richard, and I are particularly appreciative of her enthusiastic support of us as new dancers attending the Friday night practice dance at the Grange.

A message from our Queen-elect Rose Peterson



I grew up in Minnesota in a very musical family. I love music and started by singing in my baby crib. I was able to sing at various events and start to take piano lessons. Today, I have a private studio filled with wonderful students learning piano and voice. Also, I enjoy performing gigs throughout the year.

After meeting my husband Steve Peterson at college, we fell in love, got married and have two fabulous kids, Christopher and Jessica. They are grown now with their own families, which means we have seven super grand children!

Dancing is one thing I never thought I would ever do!

At an event, an usher, who turned out to be a dance teacher, started dancing with me and said I was great at it. This sparked an interest in me. A year later started our journey into dance as I made a phone call to a studio in Minnesota to begin taking lessons.

Steve's love and participation in sports plus my love and participation in music equals for us a love and participation in dance. It's so fun to travel with Steve and bring our dance shoes and find out where people are dancing in their area.

Tulsa, Oklahoma was our home for 15 months. I loved to dance there, and we were able to meet new people and became a part of the local branch of a national dance club. We even got to dance in a movie.

Steve and I have been a part of Bakersfield Smooth Dancers since 2004 and met our current Queen Charlene Miller and Dennis Acosta in December of 2003. We have taken lessons from Dan Goss and Robert Allgeyer and enjoy learning new steps! It is so much fun to be a part of the National Smooth Dancers and meet all of you great people!

In September of 2018, we started taking lessons from Viktorija which has been so rewarding! This means continuing to practice and learn even more and as we push towards excellence in our dancing journey. I love dancing!!

Congratulations to the Most Improved Dancers of 2019

Male – Alvin May

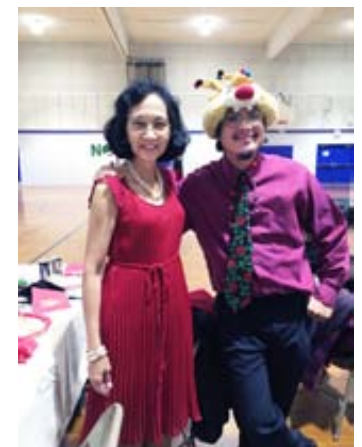
Female – Marietta Tan (pictured with her son Nelson, most improved male of 2017!)

Couple – Mario and Laura Viveros



Most Improved Dancers of 2019:

(L) Alvin May, (Bottom Left) Mario and Laura Viveros and (Bottom Right) Marietta Tan with her son Nelson.



Congratulations and THANK YOU to our 2020 Club Officers



Member Rick Gatewood leads our incoming officers through their pledge at the January officer installation. Queen Charlene cheers them on.

The Roaring 20s have begun!



It's all hands on deck here in Bakersfield as we prepare to welcome dancers throughout the state for the National Smooth Dancers Convention March 27-29. We are particularly excited to announce that 4 time US and World American Smooth Champions Nick Cheremukhin and Viktorija will be our special guest professionals on Saturday, March 28, 2020! It will be a show you don't want to miss!! Buy your tickets or packages ASAP.

<http://bakersfieldsmoothdancers.org/conventions/>



From Gabrelle: What an exciting event we had for our New Years dance, which was held on December 29th, 2019. Through some very fortunate circumstances, we had almost 170 people attending.

The hotel gave us all 4 sections of the ballroom with a huge floor to accommodate all our dancers. Our president, Amy Ansaldi, thought it would be a fabulous idea to have a balloon drop, and so it was. The ballroom was beautifully decorated thanks to all the volunteers, too many to mention here, but let's say the usual suspects. Marcia and Peter Hanson entertained us with their beautiful dancing. The colors were black, gold, silver, and white. The music was amazing and it looked as though everyone had a wonderful time.

Our Bob Fragomeni and Rosalie Wolf award for service beyond the call of duty this year went to Liz Talmadge. Our president, Amy, said that she "embodies the intention of the award. Liz is amazing and we are so fortunate to have her in our chapter."

In other happenings, at our January meeting, we swore in our 2020 officers, as well as two new members.

On November 7th, 2019, at the California Association of



Realtors Inaugural Gala, Vince Malta was sworn in as the 2020 president. Vince is the son of Elena and Joe Malta (our corresponding secretary, and long-time retired treasurer) and very proud parents.

As always, dance first, thinking can wait.



About our coronation (3rd weekend in April to avoid Easter):

Golden Gate's Coronation will honor the rich history of our Crown Circle, in a special celebration of "Queen Through the Years", honoring our Past Queens. This event will provide a unique opportunity to revisit Coronations and Queens of the Past, as we pay tribute to all the Queens of Golden Gate.

Our Traveling Queens for 2020 and 2021 are all Past Queens, listed here with the Chapter they will visit, in order of the date of Coronation appearance.

- Queen Liz Talmadge - Fresno
- Queen Vera Harvey - Palomar
- Queen Amy Ansaldi - Visalia
- Queen Rita Steed - San Fernando Valley
- Queen Elizabeth Li - Los Angeles
- Queen Svetlana Gites - San Diego
- Queen Gabrielle Von Stephans - Bakersfield

Visalia Chapter

Looking forward to a great year of dancing in 2020!

This is also a very exciting year for Visalia Smooth Dancers as we all are preparing to host this year's annual NSD Convention.

But first, let us congratulate the chairs and committee members of VSD's 2019 Christmas dance. It was a very festive event and well attended.

A well-deserved thank you goes to Carolyn Richards for her tireless effort to find a new venue for our Christmas dance. The venue where we usually hold our dance was sold, and the new owner renovated and took out the dancing hall with beautiful wood floors. Carolyn worked hard to find the new venue—Portuguese Hall (PPAV Hall) in downtown Visalia.

As part of our Christmas dance tradition, all of our tables were beautifully decorated by our members. We had breathtaking entertainment by professional dancers Jeffrey Garza and Faye Hung, plus our very own Margaret Moholt and Dan Goss.

Congratulations to the 2019 recipients of the Most Improved Dancers and Achievement Awards! The Most Improved Dancer awards were given to Johnny Gutierrez (Male), Laura Encina (Female), and Carolyn and Karl Richards (Couple). The Achievement Awards were given to Carolyn and Karl Richards.



2018 and 2019 Most Improved Dancers and Achievement Awards recipients-From L to R – Lona and Bill Dolan, Carolyn and Karl Richards, Johnny Gutierrez, Stan Medina, Carol and David Bixler, Maria Diego Rozum.



Margaret Moholt, Dan Goss, Carol Bixler and Somjai Cochran.

January 2020 Installation of Officers Social Dance

by Robin Graves

Although the grim gray weather and post-holiday slump predicted a thin turnout, the opposite turned out to be true. In fact, more chairs needed to be brought out as more and more dancers arrived. Fortunately, the committee's foresight and planning had prepared enough food for the potluck that VSD is famous for. The

edited by Myra and Shane Nielsen



president David Bixler was traveling with our queen to the LA chapter coronation. Vice president Karl Richards conducted the installation. Social Chair Marivel Villarreal and Treasurer Shane Nielsen were sworn in. The highlight of the dance was our own Shane and Myra Nielsen's performance of Tango and Waltz. Their time, dedication, and talent were generously shared with us. Shane kindly credited Eileen's instruction for their accomplishment. Margaret proudly praised this couple as "the back bone of the organization" for their dedication to NSD in many unseen ways. The Grand March was a tradition introduced by Lillian Lewis and Lotti Carr many years ago to start the evening in a fun way. We are excited to bring this tradition back. We sincerely appreciate Cheryl Levitan's technical skill and selection of music. Her music was the soul of the dance party.



Installation of New Officers, Karl Richards, Marivel Villarreal and Shane Nielsen.



Eileen Chavez, Shane and Myra Nielsen, Lotti Carr.



January Social Dance Members and Guests Marching in.

UPCOMING EVENT:

February Social Dance is on February 15th. Theme: Love Languages - Art and Music. Rumba lesson by Franco Peraza

Fresno Chapter

Happy 2020 to you all! Fresno Smooth Dancers made it through the holidays only to have to say good-bye to life member and former Queen, Mary Hirata (see memorial).

PLEASE JOIN US AT OUR FANTASY BALL on February 29, 2020! Members from ALL chapters pay the same price as Fresno members (\$45); guests pay \$55. Entertainment will be provided by Marcelo Molina performing Argentine tango with two of his students, and Mel's Belles performing their Proud Mary routine. It will be held at the Social Hall of the Holy Trinity Armenian Church, and will include a NEW delicious menu. The evening begins at 6:30 and the farewell is at 10:30. Get your reservations in to Lorraine Tilton by **FEBRUARY 25**. See the flyer in this newsletter for details.

We so enjoyed our annual Christmas Dinner Dance! With gorgeous decorations by Nancy Cargill and Steve Moore pouring champagne, we started what would be a fun, fun party. Prior to dinner we announced that our entertainment would be provided by our guests! We asked for "volunteers" to participate in two Jack and Jill competitions. Thankfully our guests rose to the challenge of simply getting on the floor and dancing a Foxtrot and/or a Cha Cha. Our entertainers were a hit, and we loved it! The "Jack and Jillers," as they were dubbed, were all declared to be winners by our judges, Dianna Gonzales and Ms. Mata.



Above are the Jack n' Jill competitors at the annual Christmas Dinner Dance.

Edited by Linda Bennett



At our January dance, surrounded by Carl's snowmen making their annual visit, we enjoyed a waltz lesson taught by Franco Peraza. We cheered for our newly chosen Queen-Elect, Nancy Cargill, who will be crowned on June 6th at our chapter's 36th Coronation Celebration!



Coming Up: Our February dance will be held on February 16th and will be hosted by Lorraine Tilton. Her theme will be "Mardi Gras" and the lesson will be Cha Cha taught by Alex Periera.

March's dance, "When Irish Eyes are Smiling" features Rei Marquez teaching an East Coast Swing, and will be hosted by Lynn Sanders.

Our Members:

Queen-elect Nancy Cargill. Linda Bennett visited her Florida family in December to meet her third grandson, Gavin Emory, born to son Chris, daughter-in-law Rachael and big brother Carter, on November 2, 2019. While she missed the chapter's Christmas dinner dance, she wasn't sorry to be in Florida hugging babies and loving on family!



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All third-Sunday dances are at the Clovis Senior Center, 850 4th Street, Clovis, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Cost is \$10 for all NSD members and \$15 for guests. Members from other Smooth Dancers chapters will pay Fresno's member cost of \$10! We would love to see you there!!



President: Carla Hartunian, Treasurer: Lorraine Tilton, Social Chair: Lynn Sanders, Vice President: Ruth Galvante, Board Member: David Hailpern, Recording Secretary: David Morgan with his wife Jennifer. Not pictured Corres. Secretary: Linda Bennett.

San Fernando Valley Chapter

Edited by Rachel Seward

Come Dance With US!

Say goodbye to 2019 and HELLO 2020! Now it's time to groove to a New Year and decade with new dance moves, music and new fun experiences.

Our 2020 dance themes are a stand out with music, décor and dance selections. Whether it's celebrating the seasons or offbeat with a theme you have never seen before, we look forward to seeing you every month!

DID YOU KNOW? Dance experts say Bachata will take the lead as Dance of the Year in 2020!



Cha Cha 1 2 3@ 4



I can't help from feeling JOY when I dance the waltz!



We dance because there is an amazing energy that comes from connecting movement with music, body, and spirit.



Everybody Dance Now!



Thank you Queen Leanne for a wonderful year representing SFV chapter.



As Queen Carla says... "Once A Queen Always A Queen."

NSD & Crown Circle Reflections by: State Queen, Joan Robinson

What fun it was to attend the LA Coronation! Victor did another splendid job of making the queens' entrance interesting, different and entertaining. What a talented man he is!



SFV Chapter took the "Dancing with the Pro" theme from our convention to the LA Coronation. I hired four pros who danced with 12 single

ladies, many of whom had never attended a coronation before. These ladies not only bought dinner tickets but helped SFV buy four tables which, by my count, could be the equivalent of almost one third of the entire attendees. I was quite "chuffed" to get a "thank you" from LA Chapter's president, Tom Wells, which I would like to share with my chapter now. Well done everyone for supporting LA.

This year, my goal as VP of NSD and State Queen is to create ideas to help encourage us, once again, to travel to the other chapters' coronations. This would not only help us to have successful coronations but would create the camaraderie of times gone by. You only need to be reminded of how much

fun you have twice a year. Then, maybe, just maybe, you'll think about putting more NSD events on your calendar?

The San Fernando Valley Chapter is all about making dance fun!

Rachel Seward, Editor

Live & LOVE DANCE

Palomar Chapter

Edited by Debbie Atherton and Don Hubbard

Our January Social theme was ‘Dancing Across the U.S.A.’. Table decorations included a vintage model car and a road map showing how to cross the U.S.A. on the famous Interstate Route 66. Décor and snacks were provided by hosts Frank & Cathy Lombardi and Fred & Geri Deutsch. Local Pros Irina and James Friedhof began the festivities with a lively Cha-Cha-Cha lesson. Dee-Jay and Master of Ceremonies’ chores were ably handled by Peter Hanson for a fun night of dancing!



Penny Elliot & Mario Lira having too much fun at the January Social!



Themed “Vintage Car Cakes” homemade by Geri Deutsch. What a treat!

We had a great turnout in support of Queen Ann Mauro as she represented Palomar at the Los Angeles Chapter Coronation of Shari Herzfeld. We all really enjoyed the creative “Parade of Queens” and especially Shari’s son who serenaded her with a beautiful song after she was crowned. BRAVO!

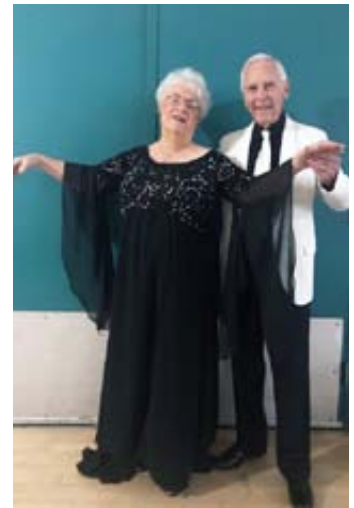


Enjoying a fun traditional moment of a “Girls Only” picture at the L.A. Coronation! (L-R) Catherine Lombardi, Marion Semler, Carol Kimmitt, Debbie Atherton, Geri Deutsch, Current Queen Ann Mauro & Marsha Hanson.

Installation of 2020 Palomar Chapter Officers was performed by Duane Thornton at our January meeting which was led by our new President Kelly Kimmitt – great job Kelly!

(Pictured Right) Palomar Smooth Dancers 2020 Officers in attendance were (L-R), Peter Hanson (Treasurer), Penny Elliot (Recording Secretary), Frank Lombardi (Board Member & Ways & Means Chair), Kelly Kimmitt (President), Antonia Quinene (Social Chair) & Jim Shores (Co-Social Chair).

Many of our Chapter Members attended a special “Viennese Nights: A Grand Ball” event at the lovely Balboa Park Club in San Diego. It is an evening put on by a local club, The San Diego Vintage Dance Society. We all enjoyed an evening of Viennese Waltzing and many different variations in beautiful, elegant Victorian Gowns. Other such dances included Rotary Waltz, Mazurka Waltz, Schottisch & Polka. Our club members Fred & Geri Deutsch and Jack & Marilee Ragland each reserved a table of 8 for our members in attendance.



SPECIAL NOTE:
PLAN AHEAD!
PALOMAR
SMOOTH
DANCERS 2020
CORONATION
WILL BE HELD
SATURDAY,
JULY 11TH
AT
OCEAN HILLS
COUNTRY CLUB



Los Angeles Chapter Officers

President	Tom Wells
Vice President	Chuck Johnson
Treasurer	Sandy Wells
Board Member	Chuck Johnson
Board Member	Craig Miller
Board Member	Victor Lee
Delegate	Victor Herzfeld
Corresponding Secretary	

Coronation - January 9, 2021

Recording Secretary	Shari Herzfeld
Social Chairman	Susan Johnson/Debby Ku
Dance Rules	Ken Scholtz
Dance Whispers Editor	Sandy Wells
Music Coordinator	Chuck Johnson
Publicity	Chuck Johnson
Queen	Shari Herzfeld
Webmaster	Victor Hertzfeld/ Tom Wells

San Diego Chapter Officers

President	Amante Reyes
Vice President	Greg Alexander
Treasurer	Linda Hammerton
Board Member	Cindy Perry
Secretary	
Social Chairman	Ji Kenworthy
Dance Class Chair	Latiffah McGinness
Sunshine	Linda Hammerton

Coronation - March 7, 2020

Dance Rules	Patrick McGinness
Smooth Talk Editor	Amante Reyes
Dance Whispers Editor	Mark Chapman
Music Chair	Rose Madrid
Queen	Alicia Quintero Alexander
Queen-Select	Liz Tarnove
Webmaster/Publicity	Liz Tarnove
Historian	Dave Saul

Palomar Chapter Officers

President	Kelly Kimmitt
Vice President	Ann Mauro
Treasurer	Peter Hanson
Board Member	Frank Lombardi
Corresponding Secretary	Mark Chapman
Recording Secretary	Penny Elliot
Social Chairman	Antonia Quinene and Jim Shores
Ways & Means	Frank Lombardi
Dance Class	Marsha Hanson

Coronation - July 11, 2020

Dance Rules	Penny Elliot
Dance Whispers Editor(s)	Don Hubbard / Debbie Atherton
Music Coordinator	Peter Hanson, George Mozes, Len Lee
Publicity	John Sankis
Queen	Ann Mauro
Queen-elect	Antonia Quinene
Webmaster	Ann Mauro
Membership	Cathy Lombardi

Golden Gate Chapter Officers

President	Amy Ansaldi
Vice President	Vera Harvey
Treasurer	Carl Chesbrough
Board Member	Dan Ansaldi
Corresponding Secretary	Elena Malta
Recording Secretary	Elizabeth Li
Social Chair	Stella Wong

Coronation - April 18, 2020

Dance Rules	Igor Tilinin
Dance Whispers Editor	Gabrielle von Stephens
Music Coordinator	Gordon Robinson
Queen	Rita Steed
Queen Elect	Crown Circle
Webmaster	Carl Chesbrough
Parliamentarian	Rita Parma

San Fernando Valley Chapter Officers

Coronation - November 7, 2020

President	Joan Robinson	Dance Whispers Editor	Rachel Seward
Vice President	Roberta LaZar	Queen	Joan Robinson
Treasurer	Regina Chinweze	Webmaster	Bill Steeber
Board Member	Joan Robinson	Equipment Manager	Frank Trapp
Recording Secretary	Susan Potthoff	Marketing	Joan Robinson
Corresponding Secretary	Roberta LaZar	Venue Liaison	Joan Robertson
Social Chairman	Rachel Seward / Loretta Kalan	Audio System/ Music	Mark Emanuelli
Dance Rules	Les LaZar	Photographer	Les LaZar

Bakersfield Chapter Officers

Coronation - March 28, 2020

President	Kay Boyer	Membership Chair	Lindy Livingston
Vice President	Steve Peterson	Dance Rules	
Treasurer	Jo Ann Georgio	Dance Whispers Editor	Liora Malicdem
Board Member	Ben Wilson	Queen	Charlene Miller
Corresponding Secretary	Debbi Cadena	Queen-elect	Rose Peterson
Recording Secretary	Wendy Wilson	Delegates	Steve Rogers, Jeanette Steck
Social Chairman	Barbara Norcross		

Visalia Chapter Officers

Coronation - September 5, 2020

President	David Bixler	Dance Rules	John Gutierrez
Vice President	Karl Richards	Dance Whispers Editor	Myra and Shane Nielsen
Treasurer	Shane Nielsen	Webmaster	Manuel Madril
Board Member	Paul Storey	Queen(s)	Sally Holden/Barbara Uichanco /Wendy Storey/
Corresponding Secretary	Robin Graves		Caryl Creason
Recording Secretary	Robin Graves		Carol Bixler
Social Chairman	Marivel Villareal	Sunshine	Joan Dewey
		Sgt of Arms	Garry Paden
		Historian	Greg Uichanco

Fresno Chapter Officers

Coronation - June 6, 2020

President	Carla Hartunian	Dance Rules	Kathy Constantino
Vice President	Ruth Galvante	Dance Whispers Editor	Linda Bennett
Treasurer	Lorraine Tilton	Music Coordinator	David Morgan
Board Member	David Hailpern	Queen	Ruth Galvante
Corresponding Secretary	Linda Bennett	Webmaster	Lorraine Tilton
Recording Secretary	David Morgan	Historian	
Social Chairman	Lynn Sanders	Sunshine	Dolores Reed

In Memoriam



IN MEMORY OF MARY MARIKO HIRATA

April 1, 1925 – December 15, 2019

Mary was a lifetime member of Fresno Smooth Dancers and served as Chapter Queen in 1990. She and her husband, Bill, were very active members in our chapter from the time they joined in 1985 until his passing in 2015; we hadn't seen much of Mary since Bill's death. Bill and Mary lived and farmed in Reedley and are fondly remembered as gentle, kind people who always shared their harvests of fresh fruit at conventions and our monthly dances. As reported in Bill's obituary, Mary and Bill had three sons, nine grandchildren and at least one great-grandchild (probably more by now!).

As a special treat, please watch Mary share how to make one of her Japanese recipes at www.bit.ly/maryskitchen.

BAKERSFIELD SMOOTH DANCERS

PRESENTS



Click or go to <http://bakersfieldsmoothdancers.org/conventions/> to get all the information and registration forms.

THE ROARING 2020'S

MARCH 27-29

TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY

THE ROARING 2020'S

FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2020

Registration
Lobby of The Marriott
Early Dancing
Marriott Hotel

2:30 pm - 4:30 pm
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
7:30 pm - 11:00 pm

"Welcome to the Speakeasy"
\$40.00/person *Casual Attire*

"Entertainment" (to be announced)
Competitions

Beginners Cha-Cha, Social Swing, West Coast Swing, Jack n' Jill
Professional Showcase #1
Hospitality
Marriott Hotel
Presidential Suite

SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2020

Breakfast on your own
Contestants dance practice
Presidents Meeting
Marriott Hotel
Dance Rules Committee
Marriott Hotel
Editors Meeting
Lounge at the Marriott
Board of Directors Meeting
Marriott Hotel
Queen's Lunch \$45 per person
Marriott Hotel
All current & former Queens

8:00 am - 9:30 am
8:00 am - 9:00 am
9:00 am - 10:30 am
9:00 am - 10:30 am
9:30 am - 11:00 am
11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Professional Dance Lesson \$5 Per person
Marriott Hotel
"All That Jazz"
\$30.00/person *Casual Attire*
Marriott Hotel

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

2:45 pm Dance Competitions
(Beginners Waltz, Seniors Waltz, Jack & Jill)
Queens Rehearsal

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2020 (Continued)

Marriott Hotel

"Gatsby Ball"
Formal Dinner, Exhibition & Formal Dance

\$95.00 per person, *Formal Attire*

NO HOST COCKTAILS

QUEEN'S CORONATION

Formal Dinner

Social Dancing throughout the evening
between Coronation, Exhibition
and Competitions

Dance Competitions include:

International Smooth

International Rhythm

Advanced Smooth

Professional Showcase #2

6:00 pm - 11:00 pm

6:00 pm - 6:30 pm

6:30 pm - 7:15 pm

7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

8:30 pm - 11:00 pm

10:30 pm

SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2020

Marriott Hotel

"Farewell Blues"

\$45.00/person

Farewell Breakfast and Dancing

Master of Ceremonies

Introduction of Board of Directors

Award Ceremony

Acknowledgements

Drawing-Free Package deal

8:00 am - 9:30 am

8:00 am - 9:00 am

9:00 am - 10:30 am

9:00 am - 10:30 am

9:30 am - 11:00 am

11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Steve Peterson

Ben Wilson

Rose Peterson

Steve Peterson

Kay Boyer

9:00 am



Bakersfield Smooth Dancers
2020 Board of Directors Meeting Event Registration

"The Roaring 2020's"

March 27-29, 2020

Purchasor Name _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email _____

Attendee #1: _____ Attendee #2: _____

Chapter: _____ Chapter: _____

Attendee #1 Attendee #2

_____ _____ **Weekend Dance Package** \$174 per person _____

Includes admission to all these weekend events. (*Best Deal*)

Friday Evening	Evening Dance & Competitions
Saturday Afternoon	Afternoon Dance & Competitions
Saturday Evening	Coronation Ceremony
	Formal Dinner, Dance & Competitions
	Professional Entertainment
Sunday Morning	Buffet Breakfast & Awards Ceremony

Individual Events

_____ _____ **Friday Evening Party Only** \$40.00 per person _____
Evening Dance & Competitions

_____ _____ **Saturday Afternoon Party Only** \$30.00 per person _____
Afternoon Dance & Competitions

_____ _____ **Saturday Evening Party** \$95.00 per person _____
Coronation Ceremony
Formal Dinner, Dance & Competitions
Professional Entertainment

_____ _____ **Sunday Morning Breakfast** \$45.00 per person _____
Buffet & Awards Ceremony

_____ _____ **Queen's Lunch** \$45.00 per person _____
Open to all Queens from all Chapters

Total Amount Enclosed _____

Saturday Evening Special Meal Request:

Attendee #1 Vegan ____ Salmon ____ Steak ____

Attendee #2 Vegan ____ Salmon ____ Steak ____

For special food allergy concerns, contact JoAnn Georgio.

CANCELLATIONS before March 17, 2020 will receive a prorated refund.
After March 17, 2020 - No Refunds can be made.

All **Dancing, Meals and Meetings** will be held at the
Bakersfield Marriott - 801 Truxtun Ave.

Make checks payable to:
Bakersfield Smooth Dancers.

Mail Event Registrations to:

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