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Dance Whispers
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2026 Convention: Fresno State Convention: September 4-7.



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Publishing Editor
Carl Chesbrough

Hello Fellow Smooth Dancers,

Another year has flown by. I wish everyone happy holidays! The 2026 coronations start with San Diego early in March, and the Bakersfield Dance Weekend at the end of March. The Golden Gate Coronation will be the third Saturday in April on the 18th. Visalia's Coronation is May 16th. Fresno will be hosting the State Convention over Labor Day, September 4th-7th. Following the State Convention are the Palomar Coronation on October 3rd, and the San Franando Valley Coronation on November 7th.

In November, Elizabeth and I did a cruise from Ft. Lauderdale to the ABC islands (Aruba, Bonaire, and Curacao). Afterward, we went to Philadelphia for Thanksgiving with our son and his wife's family. Our daughter and her husband joined us for Thanksgiving, driving down from New Jersey. Afterward, we went back with our daughter to spend a few nights with them before returning to California.

Our next adventure is to do our March 2020 visit to Australia. We leave on December 31, and arrive in Sydney on January 2. It will be interesting to skip New Years Day. We make up for skipping New Years Day by getting back home two hours before we leave.

We are looking forward to having some time in California. We will be at the Bakersfield Dance Weekend at the end of March. Then after hosting the Golden Gate Coronation, we plan on attending the Visalia Coronation in May. And are looking forward to Dancing Around the World in Four Days at the Fresno State Convention!

I hope to see you on the dance floor soon, and remember Never Stop Dancing.

-Carl Chesbrough

Publishing Editor.

San Fernando Valley Smooth Dancers News
by Mark Emanuelli

Greetings, Smooth Dancers – Winter is Coming – and we LOVE the holidays in the San Fernando Valley!

All Hail The Queen!

November kicked off the holiday season with the Coronation of Queen Roberta LaZar as she reminded us all to CELEBRATE LIFE!

Held at The Embassy Suites, in Glendale, CA, it was a truly impressive event – with TWO dance floors, both accessible for all attendees, a lavish buffet, and some wildly entertaining honor dances.

Welcome Queen Roberta!



Roberta and Les LaZar

I am honored to once again be selected as the SFV Chapter Queen. Being a part of National Smooth Dancers is very special to me. SFV Smooth Dancers is more than a monthly dance. Since my first reign as queen in 2010-2012, I have been active in our chapter serving in various Board positions and have attended the two annual statewide events (Bakersfield Dance Weekend and Convention). While I appreciate the great dancing opportunities National Smooth Dancers provides, the greatest benefit has been the friendships with other dancers I have made both in the SFV Chapter and around the state in our sister chapters.

As many of you know the last couple years have been very challenging for me due to medical issues. I truly appreciate all the love and support I have received from my fellow NSD members. It has really helped keep my strong during a very difficult period.



Rachel and David Honor Dance

My coronation was the fun, joyful celebration of life I was hoping for. I would like to thank everyone involved in planning and working on my coronation. Your generous contribution of time and talent helped create a truly memorable evening for me. Rachel did an amazing job as the Coronation coordinator. Even when things seemed to fall apart in September and October (my serious medical issues then our venue getting cancelled only weeks before the event), Rachel managed to find a wonderful new venue and, with the help of a lot of hard-working members, get everything back on track

As to coronation itself. I loved Bill Steeber's designs for both the Coronation flyers and Coronation program. Rachel (Seward, Lead & Outgoing Queen) and Debi Cadena (Bakersfield Queen) did a beautiful job of decorating the ballroom. The vivid orange cloth combined with the spectacular floral centerpieces were perfect for an autumn coronation. Queen Mum Carla directed the pre-coronation photos efficiently and organized the coronation processional and recessional. By having the Queens enter and exit from the second ballroom dance floor through the tables she created a feel of inclusion and celebration during the coronation ceremony. Leanne wrote an inspiring script with quotes that captured the celebration of life we planned and did a wonderful job as Mistress of Ceremonies.

The Cat & Mouse honor dance extravaganza by Rachel Seward and David Moutrey was a perfect end to the official coronation ceremony events. They made the honor dance personal and so much fun. The flash mob at the end created the feel of a true celebration with so many people on the floor having fun.

- Queen Roberta



The Queens and Escorts



Queens from my first time as Queen

**Reflections from the
Outgoing Queen, Rachel Seward**

Dear SFV Chapter members, I am hardly able to believe how quickly my year as Chapter Queen has passed. I feel so much joy and gratitude for the chance to serve a second term. Your support has meant more to me than words can express, and I treasure the memories we've shared.



I'm not sure how you measure your successes as a Queen. Still, I hope to have distinguished myself as a judicious steward of our dance club, while facing some complex challenges. There were the eight tough months when I couldn't put weight on my foot after my injury and surgery, and the panic when the doors to our venue closed three weeks before the Coronation. We had to find a new venue and secure a dance floor. It was a true testament to our resilience and teamwork. I remember the day we finally found the perfect venue just days before the event, and the relief and excitement we all shared as we danced together on that floor. These challenges only made us stronger and more united. May I say again that I feel honored to have represented my SFV Chapter and to have had the opportunity to contribute to its traditions, growth, and successes. It was a pleasure for me to have had Sherry Thomas, with her pleasant and pleasing personality, as my escort. Sherry was always there for me, no matter if I wore a shoe or a boot.

The crown has passed to Queen Roberta, and I am excited for her journey. I shared with her the joy and meaning that my second term brought, and I am confident she will experience the same. I wish her all the pleasure of being Queen and encourage her to embrace every moment she wears her crown. I want her to know that I am here for her, ready to support her as needed throughout her year. She can count on me, just as I have counted on all of you.

With love and gratitude, Queen Rachel

**Never Stop Dancing!
San Fernando Valley Dance Calendar:**

When your travels bring you to the San Fernando area, look us up!

Sat Dec 06 – Holiday Gala Social Dance @ Hollywood Academy

Sat Jan 03 – 2026 New Year's Dance @ Hollywood Academy



Wrapping things up for this month, and blasting off for 2026 - Happy Birthday to our birthday dancers:

DEC: Sam Billamoria, Gary Downs, Regina Chinweze, Byron Stalcup, Greg Checketts, Michael Spann, Leanne Wong, Netta Shelton,

Beatrice Bethencourt, Josephine Chan, Barbara Greenlaw

JAN: Bill Mower, Indra Ahuja

See you on the dance floor!

- SFV Smooth Dancers



A Little Cat and Mouse at Roberta's Coronation



More Pictures from the San Fernando Valley Smooth Coronation



Queen Elect Jennifer Ethridge-Fan Lacson

Hello, fellow Smooth Dancers. My name is Jennifer Ethridge-Fan Lacson, and I am honored to be serving as Queen Ambassador of San Diego Smooth Dancers! I am a dancer, a teacher, a church choir singer, a mother of three (David, Hannah, and Jordan Fan) and mother-in-law of two (Megan and Alisa), and this year, I have been made a grandma to two (Elsie and Aurelia). My husband, Frank and I have had many happy memories during our time with Smooth Dancers, and I hope to make many more memories of friendship and dance as I represent our chapter this year.



I was born in Oklahoma but moved to San Diego in 1992. I had always wanted to learn ballroom dancing, so on January 3, 2011, I took my first lesson. I absolutely loved it! I loved the dancing, and I also loved the friends I made through dancing, including Greg and Alicia (Quintero) Alexander, and a certain gentleman named Frank Lacson, who became my partner in life as well as dance.

Frank found Smooth Dancers first. We went to some Smooth Dancer classes taught by Irina Chalkevitch, but our Smooth Dancer immersion experience was at the convention at Palm Springs, 2016. Frank was a dance host, and we both had a fantastic time and enjoyed meeting new friends. We started attending more and more Smooth Dancer events and began competing at conventions the following year.

So many Smooth Dancers, past and present, have been an inspiration to me—in dance and in life. I am excited to represent the San Diego chapter of the National Smooth Dancers, and I am looking forward to getting to know dance friends across the state better. May we all have a wonderful year of faith, family, friends, health, and dance!

Jennifer



San Diego Smooth Dancers



Cordially invite you to a
Coronation Ball



Queen-Elect Jennifer Lacson

♥ *Love On The Dance Floor* ♥

Saturday, March 7, 2026

6:00pm

Bakersfield Smooth Dancers News
by Christine Conrad

San Fernando Valley Coronation

On November 1st, several Bakersfield members enjoyed attending the coronation of Roberta LaZar, San Fernando Valley's new queen. Congratulations Roberta!



Debi Cadena with Queen Roberta LaZar

Friday Night Dances

We continue to hold dances every Friday night at the Fairfax Grange from 7:00 to 9:00 pm with a cost of only \$10 per person.

Weekly Lessons at the Grange

Mondays – Beginning December 15th, Franco Peraza will be starting a 5 week series of Waltz lessons. Classes will be held from 4:30-5:30 pm. Note: There will be no classes on Monday, 12/29 or 1/5/26.

Tuesdays – Josh Harless is offering beginning country swing lessons starting at 6:00 pm and Intermediate lessons starting at 7:00 pm. Practice and social dancing immediately following the lessons.

Monthly Dances

On October 26th we held a Halloween dance. Ben and Wendy Wilson won first place in the costume contest. Pete and Tess took second place and Yvonne took third place. Thank you to everyone who participated in the costume contest.

An Autumn Dance was held on November 16th, hosted by Jeff and Lynn Krause. James Loubey started the dance with a lesson on Night Club Two-Step.

Our December dance will be held on December 14th. A free Hustle lesson will be taught by John and Leanne Wong.

New Year's Eve

Join us in ringing in the New Year with a special dinner and dance at the Bakersfield Museum of Art.

The dance will run from 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm. (doors open at 6:30).



Above:
Jeff and Lynn Krause with
James and Stacey Loubey

Right:
Ben and Wendy Wilson

Below:
Halloween Party



**Palomar Smooth Dancers News
by Chris Bernardo**

**San Fernando Valley Coronation
by Ann Mauro**

On November 1, a small group of PSD members gathered in Glendale to honor Roberta LaZar at her SFV coronation. We were treated to a room decorated in vibrant red, orange, and black sunset colors. A focal point at each table were sunset photographs taken by Roberta from her backyard patio—each one different and so stunning.



Palomar at San Fernando Valley Coronation



Penny and Danny

This was Queen Penny's first official coronation visit. She looked elegant all in white. Danny Caraza was her escort. He did a splendid job as usual.

The SFV coronation was especially poignant after Roberta's months of life threatening illness. We were all so honored to be there with her for her special evening. About a month before, an email went out to all past



Roberta and Rachel



queens inviting us to participate in the Honor Dance being performed by Rachel Seward and her instructor. We were asked to bring cat costume accessories that could be easily & discretely donned from our seat during the Honor Dance. At a signal from Rachel, we all pounced onto the dance floor in our cat whiskers and ears and tails and performed a group Charleston in front of Roberta after which she was presented with a captured 'mouse'.

It was a delightful evening filled with joy and happiness.

Photos by
Geri Deutsch and
Ann Mauro

Member Spotlight: Geri Deutsch
(Submitted by sub-editor Letitia Wilbur)



Geri was born in Chicago, moved to Pomona when she was two years old, and is the youngest of four siblings. Her interest in dancing was piqued by two events during childhood: a summer break tap-dancing class and dancing a polka at her sister's wedding. She's still dancing and still has her tap shoes!

Geri and Fred met through a friend involved in a running group, the "Hash House Harriers." Shortly after joining the Harriers, Geri explored Machu Picchu with them and her love of travel was born. She and Fred have been married for 37 years and have traveled to many new places together. They both enjoyed careers in the airline industry with Geri an airport agent and Fred a pilot.

Frank Lombardi invited them to join Palomar Smooth Dancers, and despite not knowing what to expect, they loved it. They have been members since February 2012, quietly contributing and participating in many creative ways at almost every event. She also

Palomar Smooth Dancers News Continued

Member Highlight – Geri Deutsch (Continued)

takes great photos of attendees at socials and coronations for Dance Whispers. Geri was crowned Queen in 2015, and Fred was President at the same time.

Her interests include painting (both water colors and oils), creating unique Christmas cards every year, running marathons, traveling to many different places, and ballroom dancing. She combined her artistic and dancing passions to create the Palomar Smooth Dancers brochure cover illustration for the 2024 NSD convention. As Queen she enjoyed both her pursuits of travel and dancing while performing her duties attending coronations and conventions as Palomar's Ambassador.

Geri explained that her love of ballroom dancing is what keeps her active in PSD. As important as the dancing, though, are all the people she has met and friends she has made. Attending current dance events allows her to maintain and enjoy those friendships while keeping her dancing shoes busy. We're very blessed to have Geri as a fellow Palomar dancer and appreciate all of her generous contributions in support of our chapter.

Palomar Smooth Halloween Social October 26th

What a fun evening!!! The costumes were incredible, some fun, some gorgeous and others original. The participation was unbelievable, and the ambience led to a wonderful evening of dancing. To set the mood, our very own Mario Lira decorated the room to an extreme, table decorations were scary. Thank you Mario.

Peter did a great job of providing a variety of dance music, even including a mixer. The mixers are a little scary to the beginner crowd, (that includes me) not

knowing what these fabulous, experienced dancers are going to do. Several of them keep it simple, which is a blessing. Personally, I enjoy dancing with a more experienced dancer and always learn something.

The group picture says it all, we had quite a crowd. My apologies if we did not get everyone in the photo.

Looking forward to our Holiday Social on November 30.



Jesus, Antonia, and Letty as Wizard of Oz



Aracelli Ridder and Carl Jeffrey

Geri and Fred Deutsch



Fresno Smooth Dancers News

A Message from Our President, Henry Wegermann

We just had a great year with credit and appreciation going out to all of our members. Our members have done a great job at each event from set-up to clean up. We have always had the perfect number to help whether it was a regular party, a coronation or just a working pizza party to help plan our convention in 2026. We had generous donations of time, sweat, plain talent and financial support. A thank you also goes out to other chapters' helping hands in providing information, actual hands-on help, and provision of decorations.

It has been my pleasure to see the smiles as our members mature in dance and also in what made this year so successful. Only at one business meeting did we not have a quorum. With a little change in how we conduct our meetings we have met quorum each time since. In fact, the number present has been steadily increasing. Last month we had over half of our members attend.

We are anticipating a great Christmas party on December 13th, co-chaired by three of our great ladies, Leslie Rouse, Yvette Hayworth and Nancy Cargill.

I have to congratulate the outgoing Board for the hours spent in meetings and especially for those present at all the meetings. Yvette and Nancy deserve a special thank you for the miles travelled and always being available to address my many questions. Yvette travelled the furthest and has not missed a single meeting. She has guided me through all of our needed paperwork and made sure our meetings run correctly with simple explanations such as why you don't want to have an "agenda" but you do want an "Order of Business". She is one lady you want to have around when you strive to follow the written rules and do things the right way.

Nancy has dedicated herself to the club in many capacities, from ensuring a smooth party by bringing in the supplies to being at the front door to receive our guests and members and of course their money. She organized our list of members, guests and first timers. She has spent many hours on the phone answering inquiries on our website and responding to callers who have seen our flyers. Because of her commitment, many have joined the club. Nancy will be moving to the vice president position on our new Board of Directors.

Ruth Llorente has termed out but will continue with an appointed position. Ruth has kept the directory in order- a much bigger job than previously. She spent many hours of labor keeping up all the email addresses as well as our physical addresses-all of it with a smile.

Patricia Coppock has done a fabulous job of tracking our finances and always has a smile and positive, happy greeting. Her daughter, Sheri Dadian, is there to lend a helping hand wherever needed and is great at welcoming everyone and encouraging new visitors to consider joining our chapter. I am not sure who is more popular,

mother or daughter. They have many friends and many have joined our ranks as members. I am happy to be considered one of their friends.

Linda Bennett was responsible for sending out the correspondence to our members. She has termed out and her participation on the board, providing balance and a sense of reason, will certainly be missed.

David Hailpern has also termed out as our Board representative but will continue as the music chair, co-manage our website with Lorraine Tilton and help with our Facebook page as co-administrator with Carla Hartunian.

Being "termed out" is a good and bad thing at the same time. It indicates that someone else will have to step up to the plate and all of us members need to consider lending a hand so that we all have an ownership in this great Ballroom Dancing Club: Fresno National Smooth Dancers.

Hartune Neffian is a real sweetheart, attentive, makes sure that the rules are being followed and still usually has a joke to share. Thank you for your dedicated service to National Smooth Dancers throughout the years.

Leslie Rouse -what a great dedicated and talented lady we have. She dances, plays the music, edits, writes, reminds us of our article deadlines, etc. In short, I have not found something that she is not proficient in. Our newsletter and Whispers articles have been full of fresh ideas, always with a clear presentation and representation of the season.

Dolores Reed has been our sunshine person as far back as I can remember. Just calling her with information of a prayer need, get well wish or a congratulation will get the postman to your mail box in no time. I have yet to see a time when she has requested a reimbursement. I would like to thank her for the sunshine she has brought to so many of us.

Cindy Wegermann, our stand-in Dance Rules Chair, our Queen, my personal Editor-in-chief, thank you for all the laughter and pleasure you have given me and this club.

FSD President, Henry Wegermann

Fresno Smooth Dancers News Continued
by Queen Cindy Wegermann

Roberta LaZar's Coronation: Celebrate Life!

San Fernando Queen Roberta LaZar's coronation was a tribute to the joy and beauty of living life fully, capturing her theme perfectly. The ballroom was ablaze with the colors of sunset in orange and red, striking a dramatic contrast with the black tablecloths. Roberta's own sunset images taken from her backyard adorned the tables as well, adding a beautiful personal touch. The visiting queens each wore a red tiara to match the night's color palette. Thank you to Bakersfield Queen Debi Cadena for providing them.

As each reigning queen entered for the processional, an inspirational quote was read which set a tone of reflection and celebration. The recessional was upbeat and lively. (Again, I forgot to bow to the new Queen! AAAGH! At least it was only during the rehearsal and not the real thing). The ceremony concluded with Queen Roberta and her husband, Les, dancing to her favorite waltz in the center of the floor as the visiting queens circled around them, forming a living music

box.

The coronation also had a playful surprise with the honor dance by outgoing Queen Rachel Seward with David Moutrey and a host of enthusiastic friends. The dance centered around chasing a mouse through the ballroom- an idea that was originally conceived by Queen Roberta for a studio showcase about a very real studio mouse! Though Queen Roberta wasn't able to perform it herself, Queen Rachel knew the idea would make a fitting and heartfelt honor dance. The number ended with a cat flash mob (all of us) complete with ears and tails. I wonder if Roberta spotted everyone discreetly adding those ears and tails to their formal wear before joining the performance.

In elegance, heart and humor, Roberta's coronation was everything a real celebration should be: full of meaning, joy and fun. The night truly inspired me, and I'm sure everyone there, to celebrate life!

p.s. Lastly, I cannot fail to mention Queen Rachel and her helpers who made a heroic save of the whole event when the original venue closed just a few weeks prior!



*Fresno Smooth Dancers
Hosts the 2026 NSD State Convention*

Around the World in Four Days

Visalia Smooth Dancers News
Visalia Welcomes New Member



Michelle Peters

Last month, VSD members voted to accept a new member: Michelle Peters of Porterville (near Visalia.) Michelle is a physical therapist who has been taking dance classes and bravely getting out on the dance floor. Welcome, Michelle!

New Social Chair



Somjai Cochran

Somjai Cochran was named our new Social Chair, succeeding Mary Brown (thank you for your service, Mary!) Four club officers agreed to serve another year: Stan Medina, president; Adelle Martinez, treasurer; Sally Bailey, secretary; Greg Uichanco, NSD board representative.

“Salute to Veterans” Dance

The theme of our November dance was “Salute to Veterans,” so all veterans present were invited to come forward for applause and recognition. Cheryl Levitan gamely wore her original uniform from her service in the United States Public Health Service. Others honored: Jim Renfro, Ed Torres, David Hailpern (Fresno SD), Steve Garcia, David Bixler, Shane Nielsen, Larry Brown, and Joe Maciel.



VSD’ers Attend Queen Roberta’s Coronation

Several Visalia dancers journeyed south to attend Queen Roberta LaZar’s coronation ceremony of the San Fernando Valley chapter. Our own Florence Kabot played a role in the procession as crown bearer because – little known fact – Florence and Roberta are cousins. Visalians attending the dinner-dance also included David & Laura Encinas, Alice Lyons, Carol Abeyta, Lew Griswold, Somjai Cochran, Yvette Haworth, and Greg & Barbara Uichanco. Great food, a lovely ceremony honoring Queen Roberta, lots of dancing and a fun atmosphere made for a memorable event.

In her Queen’s Report, Laura captured a key moment:

“We surprised Roberta with a special honor dance performance,” Laura wrote. “We all joined in, sharing



the joy of participating in our very first honor dance flash mob. Our performance was themed around catching a mouse in the ballroom, filled with musical flair and playful humor. Our mouse-catching story was performed to “Everybody Wants to Be a Cat” from the Aristocats movie. Many of us participated in the flash mob, all dressed in cat accessories and costumes that showed off our feline personalities. It turned out to be a wonderful and joyful surprise for Roberta.”

Christmas Dance

Visalia held its annual Christmas Dance on Dec. 6. It’s a special event that kicks off the Christmas season, and features individually decorated tables, a catered dinner, lots of desserts and dancing.

Sunday Dance Workshops Resume Next Month

Our Sunday dance workshops continue to draw good numbers of those starting their social dancing journey. More experienced dancers get a chance to practice their moves and meet new people. You can’t beat the \$5 price (\$3 for VSD members) for a group lesson. Next month, it’s East Coast Swing. The 2026 dance workshop schedule can be seen at www.visaliasmoothdancers.com.



Golden Gate Smooth Dancers News

Home Games: GGSD Monthly Dances

Recent GGSD Chapter Events

Our Oct 12 Monster Mash dance started with a Quick Step lesson taught by Giovanni Leanza.

Our Nov 9 'Giving Thanks for Dancing' dance started with a West Coast Swing lesson by Michelle Kincaid. Each year we have a food donation drive as part of the dance at this time of year (and photo ops for the ladies with the hunky south SF firemen that co-sponsor the holiday food collection). We normally collect around 150 pounds of food, but this year (might be some residual overthetopitis from Convention... Fresno, be careful next year) Golden Gate Chapter's donations to the Second Harvest Food Bank totaled 315 pounds of food, nearly doubling last year's total of 167 pounds!



Upcoming GGSD Dances and Fun

The Dec 14 Candy Cane Christmas monthly dance will have a Viennese Waltz lesson by James Kleinrath.

The GGSD Formerly Known As NYEE Party

Our traditional New Year's Eve party this year will be our Dec 28th "Midnight Masquerade" New Year's Gala at Dominic's in San Francisco! This is always very popular and as in previous years sold out within a few weeks. In the spirit of the "Midnight Masquerade" theme, our attendees will be attired with various masks and will perhaps keep everyone guessing their identity until the clock strikes midnight!

GGSD Queens 'Mounting Up' for Ride to Visalia Christmas Dance

The present and past GGSD queens are hitting the highway December 6 for a road trip to Visalia for their Candy Cane Lane dance. Re-enacting the historic Pony Express, State Queen Vera and faithful companion Janice, our members from the northernmost counties, will mount up at first light to drive together from Santa Rosa to Sunnyvale where they will change horses and join former Queen Lynn and escort Jerry and together head for Visalia. As Queen Lynn grew up in Fresno, we are all enjoying spending more time partying with our next nearest NSD chapters and look forward to a great dance weekend and driving together fellowship.



Away Games: Welcome SFV Queen Roberta LaZar

Golden Gate had 10 members (including 6 queens) making the 6-8 hour drive to Glendale for the San Fernando Valley Coronation on Nov 1st. I have been blessed to have visited every active chapter this last year and many of the people and all of the Queens are amazing. At the 2024 Coronation I got to meet then incoming queen Rachel Seward and just marveled at her creativity, heart, and a huge bucket of fun as I attended my first Coronation at a Speak Easy. Listening to the introduction of the visiting queens and the details of their business and romantic involvement with the local mob bosses and business dealings at the local gin joints was brilliant and very entertaining. This year's Coronation was a little different as Roberta was in the hospital a week prior and there were contingency plans for her to be able to do the Queen's dance in a wheelchair. Not only was Rachel and all of SFV very flexible, caring, and willing to do whatever it took to have a great Coronation, Rachel again went over and above to create a custom skit, performance, and flash mob to delight, welcome, and celebrate Roberta LaZar as a past Queen and the tenacious woman who was there standing to ascend to her chair as San Fernando Valley's reigning queen. SVF and NSD are not just dance clubs, they are families. Amazing? Yes. Miraculous? Sometimes. Deeply lovingly caring? Always! Nov 1st is All Saints Day. We all got to see one of them hand her crown to another that evening. It was beautiful.



**GOLDEN GATE SMOOTH DANCERS, INC.
PRESENT OUR:**



Afternoon Dance

Sunday December 14th

 **\$25 Admission**  **Dance Lesson**  **DJ Music**

 **Free Parking**  **Dance Hosts**

To bring smiles to the faces of children in need during the Holiday Season, we are having a Toy Drive. Please participate, by bringing an unwrapped toy for a boy or girl, up to ages 12.

**South San Francisco Recreation Center
901 Civic Campus Way, South San Francisco**

 **1:30-5:00pm** 

Questions? Reservations? Contact us:

Stella Wong (650) 255-5522 or stellwong@hotmail.com

Reservations can be made online at:

<https://goldengatedancers.org/reservations>



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/goldengatesmoothdancers/>

\$25.00 Admission
Includes

1:30-2:30 PM
Vienesse Waltz Lesson
w/ James Kleinrath

2:30-5:00 PM
Dancing

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED
by December 12th at 4:30PM

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MUSIC . FOOD . FREE CLASS

Hosted By Debi, Jeanette, Steve, Tony & WenShi

14
DEC

\$20 PER PERSON
FREE TO
MEMBERS

4-7 PM

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HUSTLE CLASS BY
JOHN AND LEANNE WONG

BAKERSFIELD
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WEDNESDAY
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DECEMBER

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**NEW YEAR
PARTY**

DINNER, DANCING & MUSIC
BY THE TARGETS

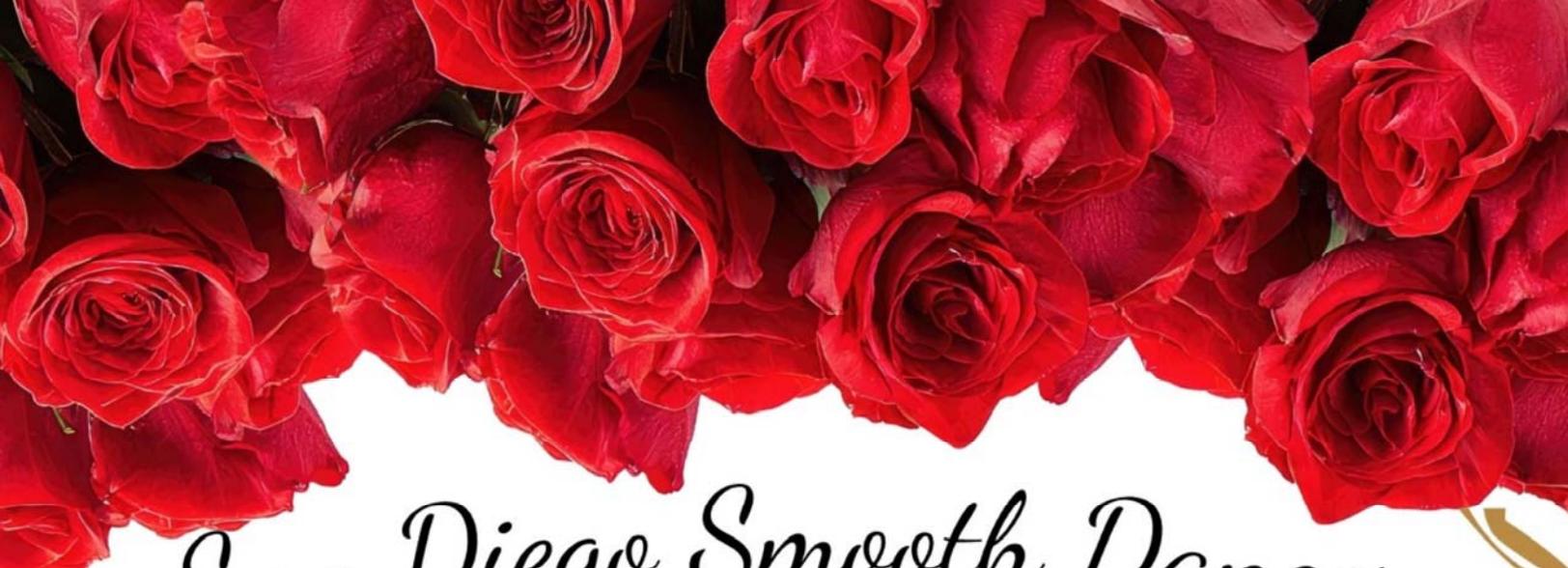
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RSVP Required (Deadline is 12/24/25), Doors open at 6:30pm

Bakersfield Museum of Art - 1930 R Street - 7PM-11:00PM

Ticket Information: Lynn Krause 661-319-6684 or lkrause@gmail.com
Mail checks to PO Box 80142, Bakersfield, CA 93380



San Diego Smooth Dancers



Cordially invite you to a
Coronation Ball



Queen-Elect Jennifer Lacson

♥ *Love On The Dance Floor* ♥

Saturday, March 7, 2026

6:00pm



Champion Ballroom Academy
4255 Ruffin Rd
San Diego, CA 92123

