

National Smooth Dancers
Dance Whispers
October 2024

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2024 Coronation Central: San Fernando Valley Coronation - November 2, 2024.

2025 Coronation Central: 2025 starts with San Diego Coronation, followed by Bakersfield Barbie Dream Ball dance weekend March 28-30, 2025. Golden Gate will not have an April Coronation as they will host the Labor Day Convention in 2025.



The Dance Whispers Editors (L-R): Mark Chapman - San Diego; Jerry Bowes - Golden Gate; Debbie Atherton & Chris Bernardo - Palomar; Mark Emanuelli - San Fernando Valley; Christine Conrad - Bakersfield; Lewis Griswold - Visalia; Carla Hartunian - Fresno.



Publishing Editor Carl Chesbrough

Hello Fellow Smooth Dancers,

The final coronation of the year is the San Fernando Valley Coronation (November 2, 2024).

As 2024 is coming to an end, many chapters are getting ready for their end of year events. The Golden Gate New Year's Gata (this year on Sat, Dec 28) is very popular, and currently has a waitlist started. I hope that the other chapters are as successful with their end of the year events.

Personal Update: When I last left you, Elizabeth and I were still basking in the glow of the wedding of our oldest of our two children -- both now married. It is amazing how much can change in two months.

In January 2013, I had a colon cancer surgery. It was found early enough that the surgery was all that was required at the time. Almost 12 years later, they found a recurrence at the surgery site. A second surgery was scheduled, and based on the three nights in the hospital the first time, we expected something similar. Little did we expect

that I would spend 16 nights in the hospital after the surgery.

No, there was not any complications from the surgery. Sometimes it takes longer for the body to recover and the digestive system to start working again. They said that sometimes things just take longer to get restarted. However, there was no way of knowing how long it was going to take. Moving was good, and I walked to much that after 8 days, my feet started hurting.

Eventually, I was allowed to start eating, and was sent home on my birthday, Sun, Oct 20. It was such a great birthday present. I have been making great strides every day, and hope to get back some of the 20 pounds before I start the chemotherapy in a few weeks.

With the uncertainty of when I would be discharged, Elizabeth was a rock. She visited every day, spending time walking with me, knitting if I was resting, and just being there for daily support. I am lucky to have her love and support!

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

-Carl Chesbrough, Publishing Editor.

A message from Queen Debbie Atherton



Deborah Atherton
State Queen

What an amazing adventure I have had!! I have been SO honored to be crowned NSD State Queen at our Convention! From being fully prepared to begin this quest in 2020 to realizing the dream coming true in 2024 has been quite unique!! Feeling the love & support from all members has been overwhelming! The Coronation Night was magical which continued the entire weekend. I appreciate each and every member I came in contact with throughout this journey.

The support and love was abundant. Even as I opened my beautiful gifts at home with my family, I felt the personal love that went into every gift.

As I look back there are a lot of “thank you’s” due to each and every one of you who gave so unselfishly to the success of the entire event – our Convention Chairs, Peter & Marsha Hanson and Frank Lombardi who went above and beyond organizing every aspect! To all the decorating Chairs for each fun themed dances – plus for me personally – I feel special praise for the Coronation Night Decorating Committee Chairs, Marion Semler, Antonia Quinene and Carol Kimmitt (and all the team – you know who you are!) for all they went through to make the Ballroom



perfect, including our friends from Bakersfield Chapter, Debi Cadena & Kay Boyer working with us on those amazing centerpieces! I am so thankful for the flawlessly performed Honor Dance by dear friends from Bakersfield, Steve & Rose Peterson. Also! Another special thank you to Josh Tiegen for taking the time out of his busy schedule to meet with our remarkable dance teacher Carrie Kloss for our performance that night.

The entire evening, with our own Peter Hanson as Master of Ceremonies, it was so special interacting with all the guests as Michael & I went around to each table to thank everyone for attending. And! What a beautiful sit-down dinner – so much planning went into everything (Marsh Hanson) and the Hospitality afterwards is always a welcome end to our evening. Frank Lombardi – thank you for organizing it along with San Fernando Valley Chapter.

I look forward to a special year of friendships (old & new!) and YES - new adventures! Love & thanks to you all!

See you on the dance floor,

Debbie Atherton
State Queen
2024-2025



A message from CHRIS BERNARDO



As a new Sub-Editor and fairly new member of Palomar Smooth Dancers, I had no concept of how incredibly fabulous my first Convention would be. Debbie Atherton just told me, "Go, you will have fun." What an understatement that was!!!

Everything was first class, the organization of registration, hospitalities after the long days dancing and thank you to Frank Lombardi for welcoming us aboard after arrival on Friday. Formation Teams were very professional, the three teams all so different and unique in their own right.

Saturday afternoon was the Comic-Con Dance Party and Captain Kirk was present along with many Super Heroes in Costume. Then the excitement of the competitions began. The full results are tallied in the back pages of the Dance Whispers but cannot move on without saying that Palomar made an excellent showing. This included several first time competition entrants who came home with a bunch of trophies.

Saturday evening was glitz and glitter night, time to crown our State Queen. Wow, what an elaborate affair, it was almost as memorable as the last Coronation I had seen in London in 1952. The table centerpieces, delicious food, ballroom decorated like the Victorian Del Coronado Ballroom. Then came the Queens all in beautiful white gowns, and finally before the Queens entrance came little Emma, a granddaughter of our new Queen who almost stole the show. Then Debbie Atherton, our new State Queen arrived in her (to die for) purple gown regally ready to accept her new responsibilities. After the Coronation we had a delicious dinner, followed by 3 Star and 4 Star Competitions.

Sunday Afternoon celebrated the Zoo with a dance



(Some Like It Hot) and a bunch of handsome wannabe Tom Cruises. (Top Gun)

I don't know how to explain how overwhelmed I was at this Convention surrounded by fantastic dancers and such friendly camaraderie. I do understand however why and how ballroom dancing becomes almost fanatical in your search to improve.

Can't sign off without a special attaboy to our Palomar Competition winners, we take our hats off to you:-

Reid and Regina Merrill took first in 1 Star American Rhythm and second in 1 Star American Smooth.

Bill Fujikawa and Ann Mauro won third in Senior Cha Cha and also third in Senior Waltz. Then they won third in 2 Star American Smooth and Tied Third with Rich and Liora Malicdem in 1 Star American Smooth.

Patrick Quillen and Camille Hughes took third in 1 star American Rhythm.

Penny Elliott and Jerry Bowes took second in 2 Star American Rhythm and second in 2 Star American Smooth.

Mike Cowlshaw and Ji Kenworthy took first in 3 Star American Smooth and also first in 4 Star American Smooth.

Chris Bernardo
Sub Editor Dance Whispers



party, which meant there was a lot of wild animals dancing around and then more dance competitions.

Sunday evening celebrated the Movies filmed in San Diego with a dance party so there was a plethora of Marilyn Monroe's



Mike Cowlshaw, Ji Kenworthy
1st 4 Star American Smooth

Penny Elliott, Jerry Bowes
2nd 2 Star American Smooth

A message from
Peter & Marsha Hanson and Frank Lombardi



Many people contributed to the planning and execution of the 2024 NSD Convention that we hosted in San Diego over Labor Day Weekend. To try to thank everyone from the Palomar Chapter by name would be a very long list and add the risk that we would overlook someone. Instead, we want you all to know that the Palomar members all worked very hard, planning and sharing ideas, talents, and enthusiasm to make our convention a special event. We are so fortunate to have such a wonderful, caring group to work with. To each and every one of you – thank you for a job well done.

We would like to acknowledge and thank individuals and other chapters, namely:

- The Visalia Chapter, who hosted the previous Convention, for their support, advice and sharing of their evaluation notes from 2023.
- Thanks to the San Diego, San Fernando Valley and Golden Gate chapters for hosting the post dance hospitalities.
- We enjoyed watching the competitors and formation teams who entertained us throughout the weekend and appreciate the time and effort they spent in preparation for these events.
- A special thanks to Debi Cadena for the use of the draping and backdrop (amazing that she had an image of the San Diego Bay!) and her generous help with the

Coronation decorations.

- Thanks to Mike Cowlshaw for the loan of his music equipment, which certainly enhanced the weekend for all.
- Thanks to Ben and Wendy Wilson for helping organize the Jack & Jill competitions.
- Greg Alexander helped us with his wonderful dance music Sunday evening.
- Thanks to the web masters Bill Steeber (National NSD web site) and Kelly Kimmitt (Palomar's website) for pre-Convention postings of our event.
- We thank Dan Ansaldi for his photography during the Crown Circle Luncheon.
- We were happy to have Carrie Kloss as our head judge. In addition to judging and teaching our seminars, our two professional couples, Jennifer Davis and Brodie Kaster and Jason Rivers and Nicole Wooding entertained us with their wonderful show performances.
- Thanks to our dance hosts – professionals JD Davis, Alexander Henry and Alexander Weitzel from the Releve Dance Group and amateur hosts Josh Tietjen and Danny Caraza for being available as dance partners.
- All the hotel staff were absolutely wonderful to work with; they were extremely helpful and accommodating. They clearly wanted us to have a wonderful event.

We congratulate Ben Wilson on his receiving the Gavel Club Award and Debbie Atherton on becoming our new State Queen.

We thank you all for attending our "Holiday on the Bay" and look forward to seeing you next year in San Francisco for Golden Gate's "Diamond Jubilee".





Thank you Carla for organizing Rehearsal!

Thank you Peter Hanson for being the Master of Ceremonies.

Thank you to everyone for making this such as special weekend!

Dance Competition List



1 Star International Latin

- 1st place - Jay Huff, Susan David, San Diego
- 2nd place - Martin Freihofer, Marina Davidovskaya, San Diego
- 3rd place - Steve and Angela Martsolf, San Diego



1 Star American Rhythm

- 1st place - Reid and Renee Merrill, Palomar
- 2nd place - Laura Encinas, Paul Storey, Visalia
- 3rd place - Patrick Quillen, Camille Hughes



2 Star American Rhythm

- 1st place - Martin Freihofer, Marina Davidovskaya, San Diego
- 2nd place - Jerry Bowes, Golden Gate, Perry Elliott, Palomar
- 3rd place - Amante Reyes, Ji Kenworthy, San Diego



3 Star American Rhythm

- 1st place - Frank and Jennifer Lacson, San Diego
- 2nd place - Igor and Nadia Tilinin, Golden Gate
- 3rd place - Ji Kenworthy, Amante Reyes, San Diego



1 Star American Smooth

- 1st place - Jay Huff, Susan David, San Diego
- 2nd place - Reid and Renee Merrill, Palomar
- 3rd place - Liora and Rich Malicdem, Palomar / Bill Fujikawa, Ann Mauro, Palomar



2 Star American Smooth

- 1st place - Jay Huff and Susan David, San Diego
- 2nd place - Penny Elliot, Palomar, Jerry Bowes, Golden Gate
- 3rd place - Ann Mauro, Bill Fujikawa, Palomar



3 Star American Smooth

- 1st place - Ji Kenworthy, San Diego, Mike Cowlshaw, Palomar
- 2nd place - Jim Beaver, Susan Wells, San Diego
- 3rd place - Rose and Steve Peterson, Bakersfield



4 Star American Smooth

- 1st place - Mike Cowlshaw, Palomar, Ji Kenworthy, San Diego
- 2nd place - Frank and Jennifer Lacson, San Diego
- 3rd place - Jim Beaver, Susan Wells, San Diego

Dance Competition List



3 Star International Standard

- 1st place - Igor and Nadia Tilinin, Golden Gate
- 2nd place - Ji Kenworthy, Jim Beaver, San Diego
- 3rd place - John Zhang, Nina Wu, San Diego



4 Star International Standard

- 1st place - Igor and Nadia Tilinin, Golden Gate
- 2nd place - John Zhang, Nina Wu, San Diego
- 3rd place - Ji Kenworthy, Jim Beaver, San Diego



American Combo

- 1st place - Frank and Jennifer Lacson, San Diego
- 2nd place - Martin Freihofer, Marina Davidovskaya, San Diego



Formation Team

San Diego



Jack & Jill West Coast Swing

- 1st place - John Wong, San Fernando, Ji Kenworthy San Diego
- 2nd place - Erik ?, ?
- 3rd place - Jerry Bowes, Vera Harvey Golden Gate



Jack & Jill Night Club 2 Step

- 1st place - John Wong, San Fernando, Angela Martsof, San Diego
- 2nd place - James Loubey, Bakersfield
- 3rd place - Kay Boyer, Bakersfield, Jerry Bowes, Golden Gate



Senior Cha Cha

- 1st place - John and Linda Guttierrez, Visalia
- 2nd place - Jerry Engel, Debbie Bloom, San Fernando
- 3rd place - Ann Mauro, Bill Fujikawa, Palomar



Senior Waltz

- 1st place - John Guttierrez, Margaret Moholt, Visalia
- 2nd place - Tim Inouye, Sallie Holden, Visalia
- 3rd place - Ann Mauro, Bill Fujikawa, Palomar

Golden Gate Smooth Dancers News

By Jerry Bowes

Home Games: GGSD Monthly Dances

Aug 11: Our monthly dance, "Hawaiian Vacation" was blessed with a Viennese Waltz lesson by (two time world standard champion) Stephen Cullip and his lovely wife Debbie.

Sep 8: Our post convention monthly dance was themed "Fiesta" and we had a Salsa lesson with Ylva Wintzell.

Oct 13: The theme will be Oktoberfest and a lesson in Waltz Across Texas and the Cowboy Cha-Cha will be given by our members John, Patrick, and Vera.

Nov 10: The theme will be Giving Thanks for Dance. Michelle Kincaid will teach a lesson on West-coast Swing.

Away Games

There were no Coronations (well, except for that Palomar one in San Diego... see below) these last two months but the Golden Gate chapter made a big showing at the Napa Ballroom Dancers (<https://www.napaballroomdancers.com/>) dance on August 10th. We had one of our last rehearsals for our Diamond Jubilee presentation for Convention in the Napa area to better accommodate our team members from 'up north'. While we were there we were blessed by a lovely dinner prepared by member Patrick Jude at his home and then we headed over to dance the night away at the Napa Ballroom Dancers venue.

next year's skits for when we will be hosting the 2025 NSD Convention. Special appreciation to Carla Hartunian and Kay Boyer who helped with our costume changes and logistics as part of the backstage crew, we could not have done it without you.



Competitions

Of the 30 couples who participated in the formal division competitions, Golden Gate had 7 members compete and brought home 5 trophies for competitive dance events with Igor and Nadia leading the pack with 3 trophies. Out of the handful who competed in the Jack and Jill competition Jerry got 3rd place in Night Club Two Step and Jerry and Vera were lucky enough to get paired together in the West Coast Swing and won third place.

Mark Chapman and Peggy Lee did a fantastic job at creating a well attended, smooth flowing, and well organized event and set a very high bar for anyone running a sanctioned competition. For anyone who has any feedback or desires about any aspect of the competition, Jerry Bowes has volunteered to be the Competition Chair for next year's Diamond Jubilee and he will need all your help that he can get to approach the high standard set by Mark and Peggy.

Convention

All Hail State Queen Debbie Atherton, may her reign be joyous and fruitful!

We had 20 members of Golden Gate attend the annual "Holiday on the Bay" Convention hosted by the Palomar chapter in San Diego. We had a great time enjoying San Diego, the Convention, chapter dinners together, and our hard work on our 'what's to come

Diamond Jubilee Presentation

Most significant for the Golden Gate contingent was the large effort put in by the GGSD 'presentation team' to advertise next year's 'Diamond Jubilee' Convention in San Francisco.

Amy and Danny Diamond led us through the many vignette extravaganzas leaving the audience amazed and perplexed: would the pink panthers get the diamonds back (and how), did the sharks get any awards at the Diamond Head dance competition, and will cowboys dancing in mylar pants be the next viral meme on TikTok. These answers and many more will be yours, but you will have to sign up to attend the 2025 convention! Mark your calendars today!

See our website for a video replay of our presentation for our Labor Day 2025 Diamond Jubilee Convention.



Holiday Party: New Years Eve Eve

The Golden Gate Tradition of having our New Year's Eve party a day or two early continues. We will be having it at Dominic's Restaurant in San Francisco like last year on December 28. If interested, contact Stella Wong.



In Memoriam

Our beloved couple Ossie and Gloria Quinto have been Golden Gate Chapter Members for 16 years. Ossie passed on Sept 13 from cancer. When interviewed for Dance Whispers in 2019, Ossie shared the following advice: "Life isn't a race, find joy, and keep dancing". Rest well Ossie. Gloria, remember we are all here for you.



Gavel Award

Great appreciation for the selection of our President, Dan Ansaldi, to receive this year's NSD Gavel Award. Dan continues to be a tireless and cherished leader at Golden Gate and we always love to see others appreciate his gifts and skills that we get to experience at every meeting and dance.



Fresno Smooth Dancers News

Fresno Smooth Dancers had over 15 members and guests attend the Palomar's convention weekend in San Diego. Queen Oralia Fowler and her escort David Hailpern represented the Fresno chapter in the coronation of State Queen Debbie Atherton. The coronation ceremony was simple beautiful.



We were very proud of our members Oralia Flower and David Hailern for entering 3 Star Smooth including 5 other couples. Oralia also danced with Jerry Bowes in Three Star Rhythm including 4 other couples. Our club cheer for them and all the other couples. It was great to see so many couples from all chapters entering all the different competitions.

The Queen's luncheon was such an elegant affair. 6 of our current and past queens attended this luncheon. Each queen dressed as if they were attending the Royal Ascot Race track in London. Check out our Queen Oralia who dressed the part.



There was a group of 5 of our members who rode on the bus to San Diego with Visalia and Bakersfield members. We had so much fun going and coming home. Thank you to Linda Gutierrez who organized our trip. We were able to rest on Monday and not worry about driving in holiday traffic. Fresno members would like

to thank all the members in Palomar chapter who worked so hard to put on a successful convention. Congratulation to our new State Queen Debbie Atherton.



Our September 3rd Sunday dance was a Japanese themed dance. "ichi-go ichei-e" Nancy Cargill was our hostess. She was so prepared with every table decorated with a large Japanese fan surrounded by pink blossoms. Our snack table was filled with special Japanese delights to eat. Our dance teacher was Ferny Fleus, and our lesson was in Bachata. We were treated with a Latin performance by Fern and his ladies. Wow was that fun. Thank you to all our members who attend our third Sunday dances. All NSD members are invited to join us at our third Sunday dances at the Clovis Senior Center.



Bakersfield Smooth Dancers News

Monthly Dances

August 24th "Goodbye to Summer" dance was held at the Fairfax Grange. The event was hosted by Jeff and Lynn Krausse

September 22nd a 50's Sock Hop, hosted by Bill and Susan Landry.

Upcoming Dance: October 26th a Halloween Party will be held at the Mystery Mansion located at 4 Fairfax Road. Party starts at 7pm - Costumes are encouraged! Event hosted by Tony, Wenshi, Steve, Jeanette, Danny and Debi.

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 \$5 per person.



Line Dance Fest at the Grange

Weekly Lessons at the Grange

Mondays - Starting October 14th Franco Perraza is offering Beginning Tango lessons starting at 6:30 pm and Salsa lessons at 7:30 pm.

Tuesdays - Josh Harless is offering beginning Foxtrot lessons starting at 6:00 pm and Intermediate Bachata lessons starting at 7:00 pm.

A Community of Dance

September was a great month for dancing in our community! We started off the month with the Palomar Convention in San Diego. Thank you to the Palomar members for hosting such a wonderful event.

Along with our regular Friday night dances and our monthly dance that was held on September 22nd each week held additional dance opportunities.

The "End of Summer" line Dance Fest was held at the Grange on September 14th. The following week Studio X held a National Dance Day with several lessons throughout the day. Thank you to Bakersfield Dance Connection ran by Josh Harless for coordinating this event.

On September 28th the Soda Crackers performed at

the Grange, offering an opportunity for those who love country, western dancing.

This coming month on the 12th, the Dancesteppers group is holding their Membership Round-up dance. The majority of the Dancestepper members are also Bakersfield Smooth Dance Members.

It is great to see so much interest in sharing our love of dance in our local community.



Kay Boyer and Tony Rodriguez

Ben and Wendy Wilson



Steve and Rose Peterson

Kay Boyer and Jeanette Steck
Queens Lunch



Palomar Convention

Kay Boyer, Maria and Patrick Leung

Visalia Smooth Dancers News

Visalia charts bus to annual convention



Myra and Shane Nielsen

Visalia rented a charter bus to the Palomar-hosted convention in good old San Diego. Thirty-three dancers, including several people from Fresno and Bakersfield, let someone else do the driving and instead enjoyed beverages, cookies and snacks. Many thanks to David and Carol Bixler for handling the details, and to the many volunteers who baked cookies and donated supplies, etc. Tim Inouye's brother donated a box of freshly picked grapes.

"We want to thank Palomar Smooth Dancers for the great job they did hosting the convention," said our VSD president Tim. "It was held at a beautiful location next to the bay and the USS Midway. There were professional dancers. There were fun competitions."



Visalia dance winners – congratulations!

Congratulations to all the brave Visalia dancers who participated in competition at the annual convention in San Diego.



– John and Linda Gutierrez won first place in senior cha-cha.

– John Gutierrez and Margaret Moholt won first place in Senior Waltz.

– Tim Inouye and Sallie Holden took second place in Senior Waltz.

– Paul Storey and Laura Encinas took second place in One-Star Rhythm.

Big turnout at August dance



Incredibly, a record number of people attended the August monthly dance. The turnout was 104 people who walked through the dance hall doors. What gives? Well, a crowd of young people attended, all 23 years old or younger, boosting the numbers. There were 14 younger people. Some of them had been attending the club's introductory dance lessons on Sunday afternoons. They learned about the monthly dance and brought their friends with them to check it out. Their youthful energy was very enjoyable. They also entertained us with a group line dance to the tune of Footloose.

By the way, the August dance was a combo luau and western dance, as the July luau dance was postponed and combined with the western-themed August dance. Some of the costumes were fun to see – think leis with cowboy shirts.

54 years of "dance heaven"

This year marks the Visalia club's 54th year of existence in its present form.

"Fifty-four years of dance heaven," Tim Inouye said. "That's pretty amazing." Our annual anniversary dance was held October 12. More on that next time.



San Fernando Valley Smooth Dancers News

A LITTLE MORE ABOUT RACHEL



In case you missed the 1920's-themed coronation of Rachel Seward — we wanted to share a little more about her: Rachel is more than just a member of our club. Her tireless efforts, creativity, and passion have left an indelible mark on the San Fernando Valley Smooth Dancers, and we are incredibly fortunate to have her as our Queen for 2024.

Rachel, a proud Arizona native, moved to Los Angeles in 2005 to be closer to her California family. Her passion for dance ignited shortly after arriving in California while taking Salsa lessons at Stephen's Steak House and meeting her neighbor Joan Robinson. After Rachel mentioned her interest in dance, she was swiftly invited to San Fernando Valley (SFV) Smooth Dancers by Joan. Before she knew it, Rachel was a new member! Rachel has supported the SFV chapter as our social chair, Whispers editor, and Queen (2016).

Beyond her work with Smooth Dancers, Rachel is exploring new interests. Most recently, she has taken up pickleball, a sport she enjoys playing once a week with a group of pickleball enthusiasts. She is also an active member of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 377, where she contributes her time and energy supporting veterans and their families.

Rachel's love for dance continues to uplift the spirits of seniors across Los Angeles. Her "Movement to the Music" program, now in its 12th year, has become a rewarding and healthy part-time career. Through this program, Rachel brings joy, energy, and a sense of community to those who need it most.

SFV MEMBER RECOGNIZED



Left to Right: Shohrab Hoor, Sam Billimoria, John Alford (Sr Policy Dep. To Hon. Congressman Sherman), Sima Shibfar, Manijeh Sohrabi, Arbeshir Bakhtiani, Kourosh Biant.

SFV's own Sam Billimoria was part of the recognition of the California Zoroastrian Center LA (CZCLA) on the occasion of the celebration of "Mehregan" (the Autumnal Equinox), by the office of Hon. Congressman Brad Sherman (Congressional District 32) and from Hon. Mayor Karen Bass of Los Angeles. Sam volunteers there as Community outreach Government Liaison, and Global speaker on The First Charter of Human Rights. He was there as the CZCLA received certificates from the Congressman's office, as well as a US Flag flown over the US Capital, and a recognition letter to CZCLA.

BIRTHDAYS!

Happy Birthday to our October and November birthdays:

OCT: Gerry Engel, Roberta Lazar, Suzanne Mower, Sheri Klein, Debbie Bloom

NOV: Nina Tolchinski, Barbara Peters, Les Lazar, Judy Davis, Frank Trapp, Joan Robinson, and Virginia Castelo



VISALIA SMOOTH DANCERS

INVITES YOU TO...

Let It Snow Christmas Ball

Saturday, December 7, 2024

Appetizers / No-Host Bar **5:15 pm** / Dinner **6:00 pm** / Dancing and entertainment **7-11 pm**
(\$10 corkage fee if you prefer to bring your own wine)

PPAV Hall, 820 E. Main St., Visalia, CA



Professional Dance Hosts Available!

Please contact
JD Davis at
(818) 378-4055



Please bring an unwrapped Christmas gift for a child ages 5-12 years old

Entertainment by: Tom Hicks & Berkley Hayes

Music by Cheryl Levitan

For questions contact: (559) 740-8017 or (559) 786-7067

Paid reservations required

Please mail reservations by November 26, 2024 to
Carol Abeyta 2624 E. Tulare Ave. Visalia, CA 93292

() \$50 NSD Member Name _____

Chapter _____ Phone _____

() \$60 Guest Name _____ Phone _____

() Chicken & Beef () Grilled Portobello Mushroom

Note: A limited number of reservations may be available after November 26 at \$ 60 for NSD Members, \$ 70 for Guests

2025 Bakersfield Smooth Dancers

"Barbie Dream Ball" Dance Weekend

March 28-30, 2025

Purchaser Name _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email _____

Attendee #1: _____ Attendee #2: _____

Chapter: _____ Chapter: _____

Attendee #1 Attendee #2

_____ _____ **Weekend Dance Package** \$189 per person _____

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

Friday Evening	Evening Dance & Showcases
Saturday Afternoon	Afternoon Dance & Showcases <small>(Does not include Queen's Lunch)</small>
Saturday Evening	Coronation Ceremony Formal Dinner, Dance & Showcases Professional Entertainment
Sunday Morning	Buffet Breakfast, Closing Dance & Convention Presentation by Golden Gate Chapter

Individual Events

_____	_____	Friday Evening Party Only	\$40.00 per person	_____
		Evening Dance & Competitions		
_____	_____	Saturday Afternoon Party Only	\$40.00 per person	_____
		Afternoon Dance & Competitions		
_____	_____	Saturday Evening Party	\$99.00 per person	_____
		Queens Processional Formal Dinner, Dance & Competitions Professional Entertainment		
_____	_____	Sunday Morning Breakfast	\$45.00 per person	_____
		Buffet Breakfast & Convention Presentation		
_____	_____	Queen's Lunch	\$49.00 per person	_____
		Open to all Queens from all Chapters		

Total Amount Enclosed _____

Saturday Evening Special Meal Request:

Attendee #1 Vegan _____ Chicken _____ Steak _____ (add \$6.00)

Attendee #2 Vegan _____ Chicken _____ Steak _____ (add \$6.00)

For special food allergy concerns, contact Stacy Loubey.

CANCELLATIONS before March 18, 2025 will receive a prorated refund.
After March 18, 2025 - No Refunds can be made.

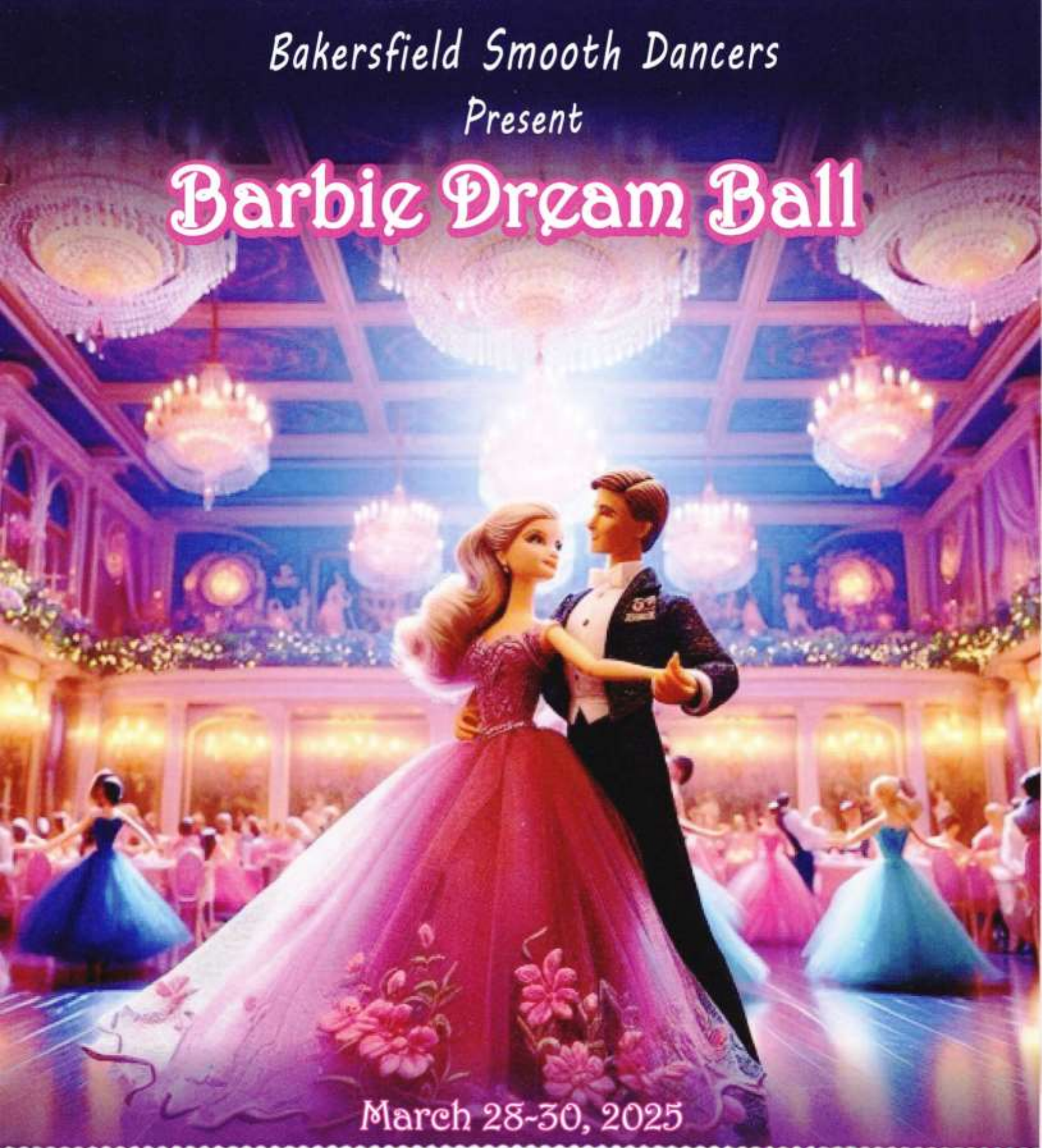
All Dancing, Meals and Meetings will be held at the
Doubletree Hotel - 3100 Camino Del Rio Ct - Bakersfield, CA 93308

**Mail Event Registrations and
make Checks Payable to:**
Bakersfield Smooth Dancers.
 c/o Stacey Loubey
 7501 Arieta Ave.
 Bakersfield, CA 93308-7210
 Email: sloubey@gmail.com
 661-444-5204

Bakersfield Smooth Dancers

Present

Barbie Dream Ball



March 28-30, 2025



Barbie Dream Ball

Dance Weekend
Bakersfield Doubletree Hotel
March 28-30, 2025

Friday, March 28, 2025

3:00 - 4:30 pm	Welcome & Registration	Ballroom Pre-Function area
4:00 - 5:00	Showcase Dance Practice	Main Ballroom
5:30 - 7:00	Early Dancing	Main Ballroom
7:00- 11:00 pm	"Malibu Beach Party"	Main Deck Ballroom
	Come ready to party on the beach with all your Barbie Friends, Skipper, Ken and the crew will be on hand as we dance the night away on the Malibu Beach.	
	\$40 Per person - Come dressed ready to Party on the beach	
8:00	Spotlights and Team dances	
	General dancing	
11:00	Hospitality Begins--The party after the party	

Saturday, March 29, 2025

	Breakfast on your own	
8:00 - 9:00 am	Dance Rules Meeting	TRD
8:00 - 9:00 am	Editors Meeting	Sierra Room
8:00 - 9:00	Presidents Meeting	Nevada Room
9 am - 1pm	Showcase Dance Practice	Doubletree Ballroom
9:30 - 10:30	Board of Directors Meeting	Nevada Room
11:00 - 11:30	Queens' Champagne Reception	California Room
11:30 - 12:30 pm	Queens' Lunch \$49.00 per person All Current & Former Queens	California Room
12:00	Lunch On Your Own	
1:00 pm - 1:50	Professional Dance Lesson	Ballroom \$5 per person at door

from Dance Pros Aaron Pierce and Bailey Carrillo
(Back by Popular demand)

2:00 - 4:00 pm "Kendom" Ballroom

Ken has taken over Barbie Land, and the men now rule
Come dressed in your best California casual
\$40 per person

2:45 Spotlights and Dance Team Formations
4:00 Dance ends, Queens' Court Rehearsal

6:00 - 11:00 pm "Barbie Dream Ball" Ballroom

All is well and Barbie is back on the throne to receive her crown.
This is a Royal Ball with a Barbie twist so come Dressed
to Impress

6:00 Bar Opens, Doors Open
6:30 **Queens' Court Presentation**
7:00 Dinner is served
Formal Dinner, Exhibition & Formal Dance
\$99.00 per person, Formal Attire

8:00 - 11:00 Social Dancing throughout the evening between
Exhibitions and Spotlights

10:15 Professional Showcase

11:00 End of the Festivities

Sunday March 30, 2025

8:30 Ballroom open for Early Dancing

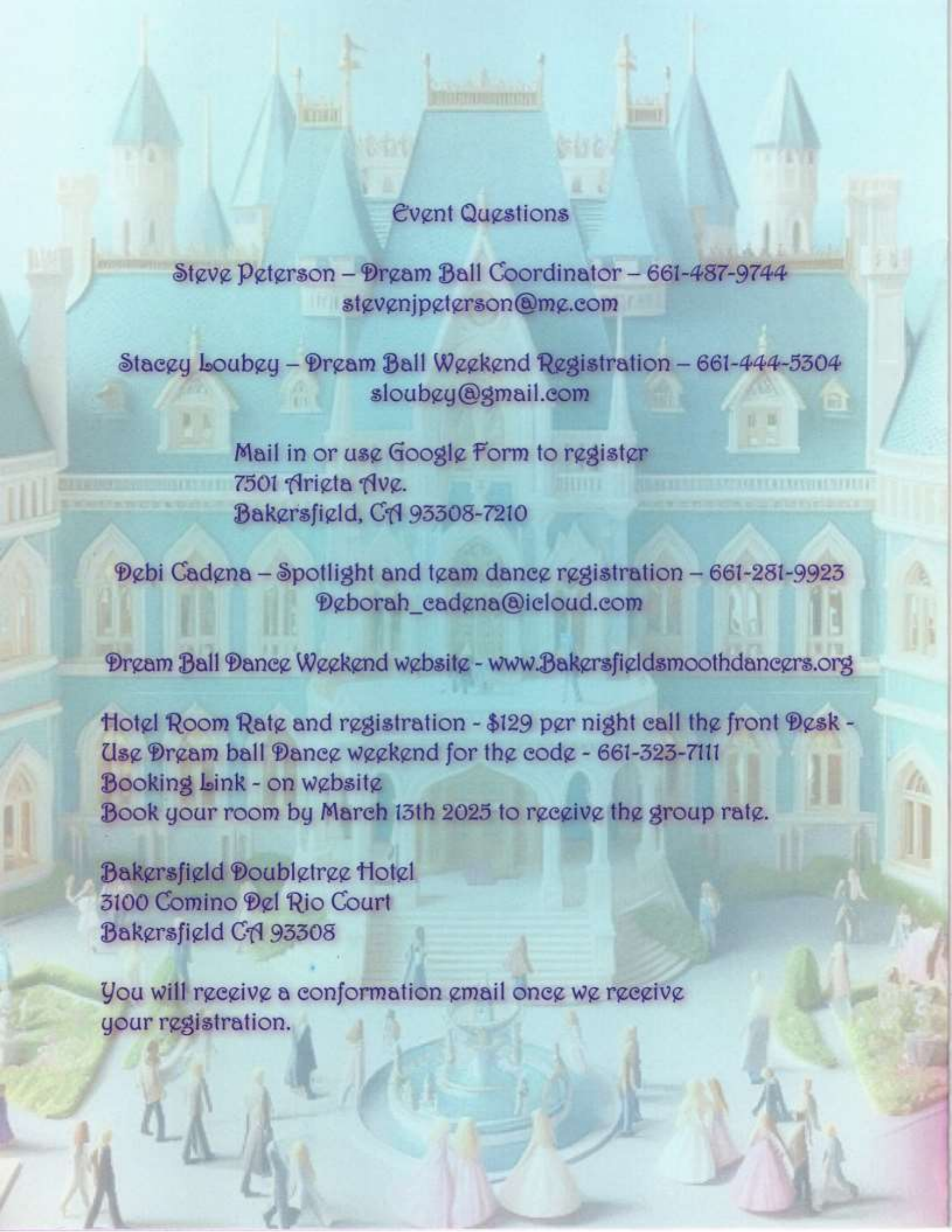
9:00 am "Farewell to Barbie Land" Ballroom

Farewell Breakfast and Dancing
Time to Book your next big dance adventure
Convention Presentation - Golden Gate Diamond Jubilee

9:15 Breakfast

10:00 Acknowledgements & NSD Board Reps Comments

11:00 Farewell and Drive safely as you head back to the real world



Event Questions

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Dream Ball Dance Weekend website - www.Bakersfieldsmoothdancers.org

Hotel Room Rate and registration - \$129 per night call the front Desk -
Use Dream ball Dance weekend for the code - 661-323-7111
Booking Link - on website
Book your room by March 13th 2025 to receive the group rate.

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You will receive a conformation email once we receive
your registration.