



# *Bakersfield Smooth Dancers, Inc.*

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## *Official Newsletter of the Bakersfield Smooth Dancers*



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### *A Grand Celebration*

A spectacular State Board gathering, participated by all eight Smooth Chapters in California! The celebration was grand and so was our preparation. Surely, everybody had fun, excitement, and memories. How did we make it? When we put all our hands together, it brings – Success!

Our watchful radar, shined on *a lot of standout members*. A long list to mention, but I can not resist some of their dedication: Our registration and ticket master, Frances Hein; choreographers Donna Schwartz for the Virginia Reel, Jill Calcaterra for the Can-Can, Dennis Acosta and Bill Landry for the Waltz Across Texas; West Coast dance entertainment by our award winner couple, Rose and Steve Peterson; Our fantastic vocalist Dwight Rollins; The standing tall gentleman, master of ceremonies, Lyle Mills; The magical ballroom planners/designers/artists: Jan Mills, Karen Kandarian and Judy Evans; The Grand Music Masters: Robert Kandarian, Dennis Acosta and Ken Silver; The entertainers of the Lonely Dove town; Our statewide famous and acclaimed Board Production Director – Charlene Miller. What makes this show spectacular? *We the members... We Are Family!*

### *We Will Always Dance!*

Did you know how much it costs for a one hour private dance lesson from a Professional Dance Instructor, like Dan Goss?...**\$50/HOUR** or more! Do you remember we only paid **\$85/YEAR** membership fee **since 2005**? From that **\$85/YEAR**, *our club members benefit:*

- Weekly ballroom dance lessons from the same Dance Master - **FREE!**
- Monthly social dances with good *food and drinks* - **FREE!**
- Host the State Board Events; Host the New Year dance.
- Bond friendships with: *A gathering treasure* of respectable, decent, truly nice people.

Successful Business *thrives* because they adjust to the needs of the Changing Times. Currently we are financially sound, but we must thrive into the future! Therefore, our Board of Directors adopted for members a: **\$5 entry** in our Monthly Social Dances, effective June 2011.

The Bakersfield NSD is *elegantly strong* and a *pride to belong!* We will continue to:

*Dance gracefully through  
In high or low financial tides  
In rain or sunshine  
To have fun and happy memories  
To dance the Alzheimer's away  
As long as we can...Spin or Sway!*

*Remember, no one is in charge of your happiness, but you!  
For the love of dancing - I bow and I thank you all.*

# *Calendar of Events*

## **April 6, Wednesday:**

Meetings: 6:00 - 9:00 pm. Board Meeting at 6:00 pm; **POTLOCK** at 6:30 pm; and Membership Meeting at 7:00 pm, at the new location of Veterans Hall, 2101 Ridge Rd. 93305. Remember that we need a quorum at our membership meetings, so please be there and bring someone. The food and fellowship are well worth your time and effort.

## **Every Tuesdays:**

Dance Classes: 6:30-7:30 pm for beginners; 7:30-8:30 pm for intermediate class. at the Grange.

## **Dance Lesson for April:**

Waltz Dance – for beginners and intermediate class.

## **April 20, Wednesday:**

Dance practice: 6:00-9:00pm. in Veterans Hall at corner of Mt Vernon Ave. and Ridge Rd. (2101 Ridge Rd. 93305.) Bernice Fiolle, plays the music. Thank you Bernice.

## **April 23, Saturday:**

Monthly Social Dance: 7:00 – 10:30 pm.

Dance Theme: *Spring Is In The Air!*

Attire: *Good-looking Casual*

Location: *Rasmussen Senior Center.*

Chairman: *Mark and Kay Boyer.*

## ***Dance Competition Winners***

*Congratulations!* Dance competition winners from Bakersfield chapter:

Senior Waltz - *first place*, Peg Amato with James Messner.

Beginners Chacha – *first place*, Gerald Cusick with Visalia Queen chapter Nancy Cargill.

Beginners Chacha – *third place*, Peg Amato with James Messner.

Social Swing – *third place*, Delcie Feller with Ken of San Diego Chapter.

## ***Hail to the New Queen!***

Congratulations to our newly crowned queen, Her Highness, Queen Wendy Wilson! and to her valiant escort and husband Ben Wilson. The Bakersfield Chapter members bow, pledge and stand with Her Highness...to the eight corners of California!

## ***Thanks, Farewell...Sayonara!***

The Royal Tour of duty by our outgoing queen, to all other chapters is complete. Queen Kimiko Johnson and her husband escort, Larry Johnson have represented our club in shining splendor. "Once a Queen, Always a Queen!"...*Sayonara!*

## ***At the Grange***

Don't forget about the weekly Social dances, sponsored by and held at the Grange every Friday from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. The team of Dennis Acosta and Dwight Rollins do the music that made them famous on the Fridays, and they play your request as well