

Hello! Welcome to the Palomar Smooth Dancers, a Chapter of the National Smooth Dancers. At our events and classes, dancers at all levels can expect to learn and enjoy ballroom dancing in a friendly and open environment.

WHAT IS NATIONAL SMOOTH DANCERS?

National Smooth Dancers (NSD) is a non-profit, volunteer-run organization founded in 1938 “for the purpose of creating greater interest in finer ballroom dancing and to establish friendliness and good will among smooth dancers.” There are seven Chapters in California with over 600 members. The Palomar Chapter was established in 1959.

WHAT IS SMOOTH DANCING?

Smooth dancing can be thought of as ballroom dancing. For example, Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango, Rumba, Quickstep, Cha-Cha, and Swing are some of the popular dances enjoyed here.

DO I HAVE TO BE AN EXPERIENCED BALLROOM DANCER TO JOIN THE PALOMAR CHAPTER?

Not at all! People at every level of dance ability are welcome. Our lessons are designed to introduce and support

beginners, as well as more advanced dancers.

HOW DO I BECOME A MEMBER OF THE PALOMAR SMOOTH DANCERS?

Let our membership chairperson know that you are interested! To become an active member, attend one of our social dances and two months of classes to get acquainted with some of our members. Fill out and submit a membership application. The initiation fee is \$20 per person. Upon acceptance of membership, you will be asked to pay annual membership dues and pledge your support for the Chapter and its objectives.

WHAT IS THE COST OF MEMBERSHIP?

The initiation fee is \$20 per person. The annual membership cost is \$50 per year. For persons joining after January the cost for the year is prorated on a quarterly basis.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP?

Membership is a great way to get to know and learn from people whose interest is ballroom dancing. Membership includes dance lessons at a reduced cost and free monthly Chapter

social dances in a supportive and friendly environment.

IN WHAT DANCES AND OTHER EVENTS CAN I PARTICIPATE AS A MEMBER?

Palomar Chapter members may attend weekly dance lessons in Vista and monthly social dances in Carlsbad, hosted by the local club.

We offer two ballroom lessons every Monday: beginner lessons at 7:00 p.m. and intermediate at 8:00 p.m. Classes are held at the Gloria McClellan Senior Center in Vista (1400 Vale Terrace Drive). All age groups are encouraged, and partners are not required. Everyone is strongly encouraged to initially attend beginning classes.

We hold a formal black-tie affair annually for the coronation of our Chapter’s Queen (Ambassador), usually in October. This lovely coronation ceremony offers members and guests an opportunity to meet, dine and dance in an elegant style.

We hold a monthly membership meeting where we communicate all the information needed for the effective functioning of our Chapter.

Coronations and statewide events are the “glue” that hold our national organization together. They provide the opportunity to visit and get to know members of our sister chapters.

Two major statewide events are held each year that give smooth dancers from all over California the opportunity to get together for dancing, competitions, meetings, professional entertainment, and banquets. These events are:

The Bakersfield Boards Coronation is a three-day event held at the end of March in Bakersfield.

The Annual Convention is a four-day event over Labor Day that is hosted by Chapters on a rotating basis.

WHAT IS THE DRESS CODE?

For classes the dress code is casual. For monthly socials it is “classy casual” or thematic. For Coronations it is black-tie formal.

WHAT ARE THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMBERS?

Members are expected to support the Chapter by: participating in meetings, coming to lessons and dances, and helping to support events (i.e., dances and coronations, volunteering for committees and Chapter officer positions).

CHAPTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monthly Dance Parties on the last Sunday of each month, starting at 7:00 p.m.

Dance Classes – Every Monday (except holidays), starting at 7:00 p.m.

Business Meetings – 2nd Tuesday of every month, starting at 7:00 p.m.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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