

# Queen 0000 Chapter Queen



## FRESNO SMOOTH DANCERS

cordially invites you to attend our

## 1996 QUEEN'S CORONATION

Honoring

**QUEEN-ELECT HELEN KIMURA**

**Saturday, November 2, 1996**

Fresno County Plaza, 2220 Tulare Street, Fresno



- 6:00 PM Champagne Reception
- 6:30 PM Dinner & Dancing
- 8:30 PM Coronation
- 10:00 PM Competition
- 11:30 PM Farewell

Black Tie Optional

Music by:  
Cheek-to-Cheek Mobile Music  
Konnie LeRoy, D.J.



### Freestyle Competition:

(NSD members only)

Beginners Waltz  
(No Costume)  
(No previous 1st Place winners)

Waltz & Tango

Cha Cha & Bolero

Queen's Honor Dance By:

**George & Susanah Murdock**

### HOSPITALITY

Conference Room - La Quinta Inn  
2:00 to 4:00 PM

### QUEEN'S FAREWELL BRUNCH for NORMA SCHMIDT

**Sunday, November 3, 1996 - 9:30 AM**

Downtown Club - 2120 Kern Street, Fresno

### Make Coronation and Brunch Reservations by October 30, 1996

MAKE EARLY RESERVATIONS OF 6 TO 10 PERSONS FOR A RESERVED TABLE

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to Fresno Smooth Dancers  
and mail to: Sue Dowell  
1630 E. Fallbrook  
Fresno, Ca. 93720  
Ph. (209) 299 8381

Menu selection:  
No. of Beef & Chicken Combo Dinners \_\_\_\_\_  
No. of Halibut Dinners \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Dinners \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$27.50 ea. = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday Brunch:  
No. of Brunches \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 ea. = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_



# "It is good to be Queen"



## "WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD" (A Treasure Chest of Memories)

*Ah, great it is to believe the dream  
That you are "Queen"  
and stand for greater things,  
And say at the end "the dream is true."*

*Your journey starts out where only dreams have been,  
you'll take that first step head long into the wind.*

*Queen Sharlene you'll travel like a comet burning bright,  
and dance amongst the stars gleaming in the moonlight.*

*So as you spread your happiness as far as you can see,  
you'll discover new treasures holding on to the key.*

*Like a rainbow in the sky, with the chapters in your sight,  
you'll share your rays of sunshine with your guiding light.*

*You are the right person, and this is the right time, I say,  
you're always doing the right thing, in the right way.*

*Through many joyful hours and time that you will spend,  
you'll meet many worldly queens and soon become friends.*

*Thus, like a circle which has no end,  
the Queen's Circle will always be friends.*

*While making new friends, don't forget the old,  
the new may shine like silver, the old are pure gold.*

*Yes, Sharlene, as you dance around the world, on your "queenly quest",  
treasure each moment and fill up your memory chest.*

*AS I SAY ... "What a Wonderful World" it is!*

*It's good to be: Queen Helen Kimura  
November 9, 1997*



# FRESNO

## CORONATION

Congratulations to Queen Helen!! The Coronation was a big success with many out of town visitors and most of our Fresno chapter in attendance. The center pieces were elegant stands of gold bamboo. Mary Hirata was assisted by Phyllis Sasaki for the decorations. Much thanks goes to the hard work and team effort by Fresno chapter members.

George and Susan Murdoch performed an incredible show. Competitions were held and competing were Joe and Linda Jamili, Jorge Lopez-Aguado, Shirley McCloskey, George and Norma Schmidt, and Rick and Cathy Constantino. Congratulations go to George and Norma for placing first in waltz/tango, 3rd in cha cha bolero. The Constantinos for placing 1st in cha cha bolero and 2nd in waltz tango. The music was a combination of the music committee working with Konnie Leroy of Cheek to Cheek Mobile Music.

The farewell brunch for our outgoing Queen Norma was highlighted by an on the spot impromptu song by Paul Rutan. Paul will be dancing not singing at the Fantasy Ball in February.



HELEN KIMURA - 1997







**QUEEN HELEN'S  
FAREWELL MESSAGE**

My congratulations to our new Chapter Queen Sharlene Mills. I wish her and Bill a very enjoyable and exciting reign.

I want to thank my chapter members for the opportunity to serve as their ambassador throughout the year, to thank Frank, my escort and husband for his support, and transporting me to all the coronations on time. And to all the sister chapters and their lovely reigning and past Queens, extending to Frank and me their royal hospitality and warm friendships. During our travels we made many new friends and renewed old ones, it was fun! It was a very rewarding experience and left me with many cherished memories to remember forever!

*Helen Kimura*





**Queen's Farewell Brunch**

**Honoring**

**Norma Schmidt**

*Sunday, November 3, 1996  
The Downtown Club  
2120 Kern Street  
Fresno, California*

*9:30 a.m.*

**Fresno Smooth Dancers**

**Christmas Dinner Dance**

**and**

**Installation of Officers**

*Sunday, December 15, 1996  
Alex's Studio  
5721 N. First Street  
Fresno, California*

*7:00 - 10:00 p.m.*

**Fresno Chapter  
Smooth Dancers**

**CORONATION BALL**



*"WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD"*

November 2, 1996  
Fresno County Plaza  
2220 Tulare Street



**FRESNO CROWN CIRCLE**

1986	Queen Kathryn Qualls
1987	Queen Lucille LoFresno
1988	Queen Doris Bowling-Fidalgo
1989	Queen Nancy Fayter-Dalazzo
1990	Queen Mary Hirata
1991	Queen Sue Dowell
1992	Queen Phyllis Sasaki
1993	State Queen Kathleen Sachse
1994	Queen Patricia Work
1995	Queen Shirley McCloskey
1996	Queen Norma Schmidt



**FRESNO SMOOTH DANCERS, INC.**

*proudly presents the*

**1996**

**QUEEN'S CORONATION  
BALL**

*Honoring Queen-Elect*  
**HELEN KIMURA**



**Master of Ceremonies**  
Kevin McCready  
**Introduction of Queens**  
Kathy Sachse

**Program**

- 6:00 p.m. Champagne Reception & Dancing
- 6:30 p.m. Welcome - President Nancy Palazzo  
Invocation - Kathryn Qualls  
Dinner & Dancing to  
Music by Cheek-To-Cheek Mobile Music  
Konnie LeRoy, D. J.
- 8:15 p.m. Coronation Ceremonies  
Procession of Reigning Queens  
Coronation  
Queens Waltz  
Queen's Honor Dance  
by  
George & Susannah Murdoch
- 9:00 p.m. Dancing
- 9:30 p.m. Competition (NSD Members Only)  
Beginner's Waltz (No Previous First Place)  
Waltz and Tango  
Cha Cha and Bolero
- 10:00 p.m. Dancing
- 10:30 p.m. Awards Presentation
- 11:30 p.m. Farewell



**State Queen, Claudine Rooney**  
**Procession Of Reigning Queens**

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|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| Crowning Queen, Fresno Chapter | Norma Schmidt   |
| San Diego Chapter              | Claudine Rooney |
| Los Angeles Chapter            | Evelyn Russell  |
| Golden Gate Chapter            | Willa Register  |
| Palomar Chapter                | Joyce Radesky   |
| San Fernando Valley Chapter    | Dorothy Krambo  |
| Bakersfield Chapter            | Deggy Amato     |
| Visalia Chapter                | Vicie Nagy      |
| Central Coast Chapter          | Loretta Gingg   |

**Royal Court**

- Flower Girl Nicole Shinkawa  
Crown Bearers Adam Shinkawa  
Andrew Imoto

**Queen-Elect**

- Helen Kimura  
Escorted by Frank Kimura

**Appreciation**

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|------------------------|---------------------|
| Social Chairperson     | Shirley McCloskey   |
| Master of Ceremony     | Kevin McCready      |
| Introduction of Queens | Kathy Sachse        |
| Hospitality            | Kathy Sachse        |
| Decorations            | Lucille LoFreso     |
| Greeters               | Kevin McCready      |
| Champagne Reception    | Joe LoFreso         |
| Welcome                | Mary Hirata         |
| Invocation             | Phyllis Sasaki      |
| Hostess of Queens      | Queen Norma Schmidt |
| Guest Book             | George Schmidt      |
| Escorts                | Bill Hirata         |
| Reservations           | Joe LoFreso         |
| Registration Table     | Mike Moyle          |
| Entertainment          | Pat Taniguchi       |
| Competitions           | Nancy Palazzo       |
| Scrutineers            | Kathryn Qualls      |
| Runner                 | Lucille LoFreso     |
| Photography            | Loretta Hanoian     |
| Bar Chair              | Floyd Qualls        |
| Bartender              | Oric Reed           |
| Lights                 | Ted Oba             |
| Queens' Attendants     | Mario Manfredi      |
|                        | Jag Singh           |
|                        | Sue Dowell          |
|                        | Sue Dowell          |
|                        | Patricia Work       |
|                        | Dolores Reed        |
|                        | Bob & Sue Dowell    |
|                        | Tony Palazzo        |
|                        | Sharlene Schubert   |
|                        | Bill Mills          |
|                        | Shirley McCloskey   |
|                        | Jerry Baldwin       |
|                        | Dan Sweet           |
|                        | Dorian Cronk        |
|                        | Bill Hirata         |
|                        | Oric Reed           |
|                        | Mary Hirata         |
|                        | Pat Taniguchi       |
|                        | Oleta Rush          |
|                        | Sarah Harris        |

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|----------------------|---------------------------|
| Decorating Committee | Laquita Manfredi          |
| Judges               | Lillian Kuda              |
| Music Committee      | Nancy Sakomoto            |
| Flyers and Programs  | Lily Robillard            |
|                      | Sylvia Skelton            |
|                      | George & Susannah Murdoch |
|                      | Jeff Csolak               |
|                      | Bill Mills                |
|                      | Eugene Carlson            |
|                      | Patricia Work             |

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Konnie LeRoy, D.J.
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- Lodging LaQuinta Inn
- Trophies Omega Trophy
- Flowers Franko's and D & L Roses
- Vendors Sunnyside Department Store

*A special thank you to Alex Pereira of Arthur Murray's for his encouragement and support.*

**Fresno Chapter**

**1996 Board Members**

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|-------------------------|------------------------|
| President               | Nancy Palazzo          |
| Vice President          | George Schmidt         |
| Recording Secretary     | Sarah Harris           |
| Corresponding Secretary | Helen Kimura           |
| Treasurer               | Hal Coffin             |
| Social Chair            | Shirley McCloskey      |
| Board Member            | Sharlene Schubert      |
| Dance Rules             | Tony Palazzo           |
| Sunshine                | Oleta Rush             |
| Music Chair             | Bill Mills             |
| Whispers Editor         | Jorge Lopez-Aguado     |
| Life Members            | Floyd & Kathryn Qualls |