

BALLET SAN JOSE

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BALLET TEA PARTY THRILLS TINY DANCERS

On Sunday, October 29th, fourteen little girls and their grandmothers attended a very special tea party hosted by Sheila Swanson at the Silver Creek Country Club in San Jose.

The event was held on the top floor of the venue with a panoramic view of the golf course, mountains and waterfall.

Mrs. Swanson was the winning bidder for this unusual auction item in last spring's annual Ballet Gala. The "ladies only" affair included sweets, face painting, a balloon artist, keepsake photos, and gift bags containing ballet shoes and a tutu. The young girls, ranging in age from 2 to 10, changed into their outfits and were given a dance lesson by two of the professional ballerinas from Ballet San Jose...Catharine Grow and Beth Ann Namey.

Helping with the party were Ballet Board and Council members Marie Lo Presto, Shelly Fry, Kathy Gillum and Shannon Burnet-Carrigan. All the attendees had a wonderful time at this priceless party.

The 2006-07 season opens November 16th with GISELLE and follows with THE NUTCRACKER, December 14-24.



(top) Ballet San Jose dancers Beth Ann Namey and Catharine Grow pose with some of the young ladies who attended Sheila Swanson party at Silver Creek Country Club in San Jose. Photo by Michael Frumkin



Host Sheila Swanson took a moment to pose with granddaughter Annika Jackson at the Ballet Tea Party. Photo by Michael Frumkin



Ballet San Jose dancer Beth Ann Namey posed with many of the Tiny Dancers at the Ballet Tea Party held at Silver Creek country Club. Photo by Michael Frumkin



Ballet San Jose Operating Board member Marie LoPresto gets her face painted by "Super Gigi" before jumping in to help out with the Ballet Tea Party. Marie and Shellie Fry put the special auction item together for last year's annual Gala. Sheila Swanson was the winner bidder for the party. Photo by Michael Frumkin



Ballet San Jose principal dancer Catharine Grow (far left) conducted a special "ballet class" for about a dozen of the young ladies who attended the party. Photo by Michael Frumkin



(left to right) Delaney Weiss, Annika Jackson and Julia Swanson were among the young ladies who attended the Ballet Tea Party hosted by Sheila Swanson on October 29th. Photo by Michael Frumkin

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