

AZ Insider: Walking on Water at Party, Literally

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Kathy Shayna Shocket has the inside scoop on the Valley's social scene and Celebrities.



Why these high school debs will literally be walking on water...

There's a very, very fancy ball coming up at the Camelback Inn. It's one of the most formal traditions of the Phoenix social season- and the 37 flower girls pictured above at a prior holiday party- will be in the spotlight. They're going to be walking on water- LITERALLY.

That's because these debutantes will be presented by their fathers on a runway built over the fountain pool on the Garden Terrace of the Camelback Inn. (In past years, prior to the resort's remodel, the runway jetting into the middle of the swimming pool.) This Phoenix tradition is almost 100 years old and the Board of Visitors, which hosts the elegant affair is the oldest charitable organization in Arizona. The Board of Visitors has raised over \$14 million to serve the health care needs of women, children and the elderly in the greater metropolitan Phoenix area.



Practicing the father daughter waltz at the waltz-curtsey party.

This year's flower girls from Valley high schools have not only been practicing their curtsies for the formal presentation over the water- but for their waltz as well. There is even a waltz- curtsy party months prior to the event. **Mona Smith** is chair of this year's 97th Annual Board of Visitors Charity Ball on April 21st. The dinner dance includes the flower girl presentation and the father-daughter waltz.

Ticket prices start at \$450 per person and at there are still some tickets available for soiree. The 2012 flower girls are: **Samantha Mae Allen, Arden Saviah Anderson, Grace Elizabeth Appelbee, Shannon Marie Beckham, Kaleigh Sheridan Boyle, Katherine Marie Burch, Kayla Ann Eller, Katie Lyn Gabel, Madeline Burke Giancola, Elizabeth Elyn Govig, Catherine Hale Gullett, Casey Bryce Hart, Kamber Loren Hart, Shae Taylor Hart, Abigail Marie Hornacek, Peyton Leigh Jackson, Sarah Christine James, Jacqueline Kathleen LeMarr, Katerina Eleni Matheos, Emily McKelvey, Keely Scott O'Connor, Alexis Christine Olson, Anna Panagiotakopoulos, Christina Kathryn Petsas, Kylie Elizabeth Prusak, Megan Nicole Pylman, Brittany Nicole Rhodes, Jessica Lauren Romine, Victoria Annette Schoch, Zoe Ashton Simon, Remy James Smidt, Katelyn Stern, Carley Kay Stevens, Hannah Elizabeth Tolson, Page Ryan Walker, Hannah Claire Wilky and Danika Dale Worthington.**

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