



Dance Club of Grays Harbor Newsletter

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Dances & Dancing

Dance Club of Grays Harbor

Hoquiam Elks, 624 K Street, Hoquiam
Dance admission is only \$10 per person
Dance is from 7:30pm to 10pm

2024 DANCE SCHEDULE

October 5 November 2
(no dance in December)

Sat., June, July, Aug., Sept.- no dance: Dance Club of Grays Harbor (3rd Sat.), Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St., Hoquiam; www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com Our next dance will be October 5.
Note the change in our schedule to the 1st Sat. each month beginning in October. **No dance in December.** Dances resume in January 2025 on the 1st Sat. each month.



Sun., July and August- no dance: Greater Olympia Dixieland Jazz Society, at Olympia Elks (2nd Sun.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; Music: _____; Dance: 1-4pm; Free for this dance; admission \$14, or \$10 for members. Info: Peter Pease @ 360-280-5019 or sixtyrso@comcast.net



Sat., Aug. 3: Olympia Elks, 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; Music: Swing Fever Big Band; Lesson: Foxtrot; Dance: 8-10:30pm; \$10 entry Elks members; all others \$12; Info: (360) 753-0186; www.olympiaelks.org

Sat., Aug. 17: Love to Dance Club Dance, at Olympia Elks (3rd Sat.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; Lesson: Waltz; Music: Randy Litch; Dance: 8-10:30pm; LTD and Elks Members \$10; guests \$12; Info: (360) 701-0600



Sat., Aug. 31: Aberdeen Elks, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; dancing 7-?pm; Music: Randy Band; Info(360) 532-2211

2024 Dance Club Membership dues – \$0.00 per person!!!

Dance admission is \$10 per person!

Please make checks payable to
DANCE CLUB OF GRAYS HARBOR

Welcome to our New Dancers!



For our DCGH dances, live bands or DJs provide the music for dancing to Cha-Cha, East Coast Swing, Foxtrot, Mambo, Merengue, Rumba, Salsa, Samba, Tango, Argentine Tango, Waltz, and West Coast Swing, as well as some line dances like Cupid Shuffle, Cowboy ChaCha, and Electric Slide.

Sat., Sept. 7: Olympia Elks, 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Music: Michael Crain Duo; Dance:** 7-10:30pm; \$10 entry Elks members; all others \$12; Info: (360) 753-0186; www.olympiaelks.org

Sat., Sept. 21: Love to Dance Club Dance, at Olympia Elks (3rd Sat.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Lesson:** Waltz; **Music: Kregg Mattson; Dance:** 8-10:30pm; LTD and Elks Members \$10; guests \$12; Info: (360) 701-0600



Sat., Sept. 28: Aberdeen Elks, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; dancing 7-9pm; **Music: Randy Band;** Info:(360) 532-2211

Fri., Oct. 4: Aberdeen Elks, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; dancing 7-9pm; **Music: Dukes of Swing;** Info: (360) 532-2211



Sat., Oct. 5: Dance Club of Grays Harbor (1st Sat.), Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St., Hoquiam; **Music: DJ Dr. Mark; Dance:** 7:30-10 pm. Mixers, Demos, Silent Auction. (Food and refreshments are available through the Elks.) Members and Guests: \$10.



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Sat., Oct. 5: Olympia Elks, 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Music: Tropics Duo; Dance:** 7-10:30pm; \$10 entry Elks members; all others \$12; Info: (360) 753-0186; www.olympiaelks.org

Sat., Oct. 19: Love to Dance Club Dance, at Olympia Elks (3rd Sat.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Lesson:** Waltz; **Music:** _____; **Dance:** 8-10:30pm; LTD and Elks Members \$10; guests \$12; Info: (360) 701-0600



Sat., Oct. 25: Aberdeen Elks, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; HALLOWEEN BASH 10; dancing _____pm; **Music:** _____; \$20 cover; 21+ with valid ID; Info:(360) 532-2211

Sat., Nov. 2: Dance Club of Grays Harbor (1st Sat.), Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St., Hoquiam; **Music: DJ Dr. Mark; Dance:** 7:30-10 pm. Mixers, Demos, Silent Auction. (Food and refreshments available through the Elks.) Members and Guests: \$10. www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com Note the change in our schedule to the 1st Sat. each month Dances resume in January 2025 on the 1st Sat. each month. **No DCGH dance in December.**



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10:30pm; \$10 entry Elks members; all others \$12; Info: (360) 753-0186; www.olympiaelks.org

Sat., Nov. 16: Love to Dance Club Dance, at Olympia Elks (3rd Sat.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Lesson:** Waltz; **Music:** _____; **Dance:** 8-10:30pm; LTD and Elks Members \$10; guests \$12; Info: (360) 701-0600



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(Then there are Christmas dances and New Years parties and then it's 2025!)

Other Dancing Events

(Some of these are old sites, so be sure to check on them before you make the trip!)

Tuesdays: OLY Swing, at Olympia Eagles, 4th & Plum, Olympia; 6-7pm in-depth lesson; 7-7:30 class; dancing ECS, Blues, Lindy Hop 7:30-10:30pm. \$7 general admission. www.tuesdayswing.com/ Vaccines and masks required. 360/943-4010



Wednesdays: Manhattan Club, at AmVets Hall, 5717 S Tyler St., Tacoma; **every Wednesday;** free lesson 6:30; dance: 7:30-9:30pm; \$10 members; \$13 everyone else; membership \$25; www.manhattanclub.org Info: 253/732-6664; 360/357-6152

Wednesdays (and other days): Pacific Ballroom, 1604 15th St. SW, Auburn; 30 min. lesson, 90 min. social dancing; light refreshments provided. www.pacificballroom.com; Info : 253/939-6524; also other dances on other days: Wed., Thurs., Sat., and Sun. DJ dances (some with live bands). Calendar available at www.pacificballroom.org Look at their website. They have interesting events coming up!

Thursdays: Randy Litch at the Olympia VFW, 2902 Martin Way E., Olympia; 1-4pm; need to have a dance partner to attend; \$20 per couple; no mask or vaccination requirements. Water and coffee provided; food and beverages available from the bar; www.randylitch.net; email randylitch@comcast.net; cell/text: 253/530-6185.

Thursdays: T-Town Swing, at Urban Grace, 902 Market St., Tacoma; every Thursday; lesson 8pm; dance 8:30-11:30pm; <https://www.facebook.com/tacomasingdance/>. Masks and proof of vaccination required.

Thursdays: Tacoma Elks, at Allenmore Golf & Events Center, 2013 S. Cedar St., Tacoma; every Thursday; \$6 Elks members; \$8 USA Dance members; \$10 all others; Info: 253-272-1117

Fridays: Olympia Eagles, 4th & Plum: Salsa Fridays; 7:30 lesson; 9-12 salsa social dance; \$10

Tuesday – Swing at the OLY Eagles

Wednesday – Manhattan Dance Club at AmVets Hall in Tacoma www.manhattanclub.org

Thursday – T-Town Swing in Tacoma

Thursday – Randy Litch at OLY VFW 1-4pm (check with Randy at www.randylitch.net) (need to bring a partner)

Thursday – Pacific Ballroom, Auburn www.pacificballroom.org

Friday – Salsa Dance Social in OLY

Friday – Rockin' Horse Dance Barn in Renton

Saturday – Pacific Ballroom in Auburn

Saturday – 4th Saturdays: Aberdeen Elks (The Randy Band usually plays on the 4th Sat. each month)

Sunday – NW Dancesport Dance in Auburn

Instructors:

* David Lynch – (h) 360/754-6697 or (c) 360/701-4294 www.olympiadancelessons.com

* Marie Kiser – 360/880-5492, Centralia mkiser1202@aol.com



News & Views

The next DCGH board meeting will be **Mon., (TBA- not yet scheduled), at 6pm** at Mark Van Hemert's office. Anyone interested in ballroom dance is welcome to attend the meetings.

5/18/2024 Dance Photos





Editor's Notes:

Hey, all you people who come out and dance with us – WAY TO GO!!! You are awesome!

Due to scheduling, May 18 was our last dance of the summer. We will now be off until October 5, the first Sat. in October. November 2 is the dance after that, but there will not be a dance in December for us again this year. Dances in January 2025 through May 2025 will be on the first Saturdays each month.

*Arlene Hoiland, our founder, instructor,
inspiration, family, friend,
and so much more!*



We miss you so much!

Last week, I was looking at some of the old photos and videos of our past dances and demonstrations. Wasn't Arlene an amazing teacher and dancer? We all learned so much from her and I'm thrilled we got the chance to do that!

I'm so glad we've been able to keep our dance club going and that we still get to dance around here without having to drive a long way to get to some other dance venues. I'm also glad that there are some other really good dance venues so we can get out and help them as well. Thank you, Arlene, from the bottoms of our hearts and soles (souls)!

Dance! It's what we do!

Sharon Pleus

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Links for DCGH website, and other links to photos and videos

The DCGH website – Check us out at
www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com.

Previous Senior Games videos of heats, exhibitions,
demonstrations and awards ceremonies, posted on
YouTube:

www.youtube.com/user/1AlaskaGal.

Photos of the Senior Games heats posted on Flickr:
www.flickr.com/photos/sjpleusphotos/albums/.

If you're on Facebook, you can go to our page:
www.Facebook.com/groups/danceclubofgraysharbor

Nobody cares if you can't dance well.
Just get up and dance.
~ Dave Barry ~

