



# 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

### 2023 DANCE SCHEDULE

February 11	March 11
April 8	May 13

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



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

**Sat., Feb. 4: Kelso Elks**, 900 Ash St., Longview; Wild West Casino Night (membership drive); cocktails 6pm; dinner 6:30pm; dinner and live music \$35; casino opens 7:30;

**Sun., Feb. 5: Aberdeen Elks**, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; 2pm: McLaughlin going away party; special appearance by the **593 Singers**; Info: (360) 532-2211



**Sat., Feb. 11: Dance Club of Grays Harbor** (2nd Sat.), **Valentine's Day and 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance**, at Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St., Hoquiam; **Music: Randy Litch**; FREE dance lesson: 7-8 pm; **Dance:** 8-10 pm. Mixers, Demos, Silent Auction/ Raffle. (Food and refreshments are available through the Elks.) Members: \$10; Guests: \$10. [www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com](http://www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com)



2023 Dance Club Membership dues – only \$0 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, various 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 Cowboy ChaCha, Ten-Step, and Tush Push.*

*DCGH would appreciate raffle gift donations at our monthly dance if you would like to "re-gift" something nice. Thanks!*

**Sat., Feb. 11: Tenino Eagles**, 349 Sussex Ave. W., Tenino; **Music:** Steel Horses; dinner and dancing; 8pm; 360/264-2366

**Sun., Feb. 12: Greater Olympia Dixieland Jazz**

**Society, at Olympia Elks** (2<sup>nd</sup> Sun.), 1818 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. E., Olympia; **Music:** \_\_\_\_\_; **Dance:** 1-4pm; admission \$14, or \$10 for members. Info: [charlottedickison@comcast.net](mailto:charlottedickison@comcast.net); 360/943-9123



**Sat., Feb. 18: Aberdeen Elks**, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; dancing 7-9pm; **Music: Randy Band**; Info: (360) 532-2211



**Sat., Feb. 18: Love to Dance Club Dance, at Olympia Elks**, 1818 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. E., Olympia;

**Lesson:** Rumba; **Music: Chris Anderson**; **Dance:** 8-10:30pm; LTD and Elks Members \$10; guests \$12; Info: (360) 701-0600



**Sat., Feb. 18: Lakewood Elks**, 6313 75<sup>th</sup> St. W, Lakewood; **70s Dance the Night Away**, with DJ Rhett Powers; 6-9pm; no cover charge; <https://www.facebook.com/Elks2388/>

**Fri., Feb. 25: Aberdeen Elks**, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; dancing 6:30-9pm; **Music: Tiff & Friend**; \$10, open to the public; Info: (360) 532-2211



**Sat., Mar. 4: Olympia Elks**, 1818 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. E., Olympia; **Music: Lauren Petrie**; **Dance: 7-10pm**; \$10 entry Elks members; all others \$12; Info: (360) 753-0186; [www.olympiaelks.org](http://www.olympiaelks.org)

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**Sat., Apr. 1: Olympia Elks**, 1818 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. E., Olympia; **Music: Paul Barber Duo**; **Dance:** 7-10pm; \$10 entry Elks members; all others \$12; Info: (360) 753-0186; [www.olympiaelks.org](http://www.olympiaelks.org)

**Sat., Apr. 1: Aberdeen Elks**, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; **Purple Bubble Ball**; dancing 7-9pm; **Music: Dukes of Swing**; Info: (360) 532-2211



**Sat., Apr. 29: Olympia Eagles Ballroom**, 4<sup>th</sup> and Plum, Olympia; **Grand Re-Opening!**; **Music: Swing Fever Big Band**; 7-10pm \$10/person; more info to come!

**Sat., May 6: Olympia Elks**, 1818 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. E., Olympia; **Music: Black Satin Quintet**; **Dance: 7-10pm**; \$10 entry Elks members; all others \$12; Info: (360) 753-0186; [www.olympiaelks.org](http://www.olympiaelks.org)

## 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**, 4<sup>th</sup> & 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/](http://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; \$7 members; \$10 everyone else; membership \$20; [www.manhattanclub.org](http://www.manhattanclub.org) Info: 253/732-6664; 360/357-6152

**Wednesdays (and other days): Pacific Ballroom**, 1604 15<sup>TH</sup> St. SW, Auburn; 30 min. lesson, 90 min. social dancing; light refreshments provided. [www.pacificballroom.com](http://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](http://www.pacificballroom.org) Must provide proof of vac or negative test. 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](http://www.randylitch.net); email [randylitch@comcast.net](mailto: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**, 4<sup>th</sup> & Plum: Salsa Fridays; 7:30 lesson; 9-12 salsa social dance; \$10

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Tuesday – Swing at the OLY Eagles

Wednesday – Manhattan Dance Club at AmVets Hall in Tacoma [www.manhattanclub.org](http://www.manhattanclub.org)

Thursday – T-Town Swing in Tacoma

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

Thursday – Pacific Ballroom, Auburn  
[www.pacificballroom.org](http://www.pacificballroom.org)

Friday – Salsa Dance Social in OLY

Friday – Rockin' Horse Dance Barn in Renton

Saturday – Pacific Ballroom in Auburn

Sunday – NW Dancesport Dance in Auburn

Instructors:

\*David Lynch – (h) 360/754-6697 or (c) 360/701-4294

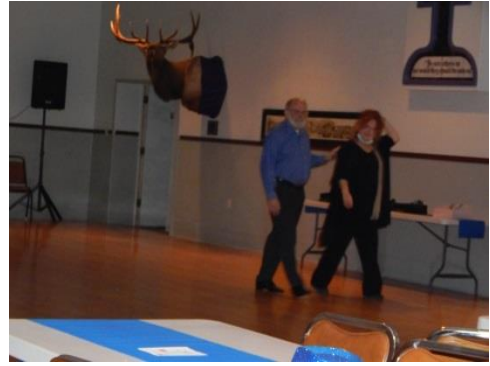
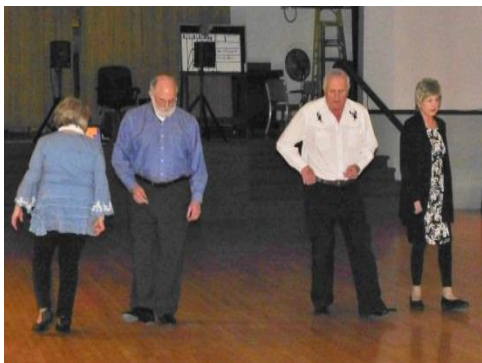
[www.olympiadancelessons.com](http://www.olympiadancelessons.com)

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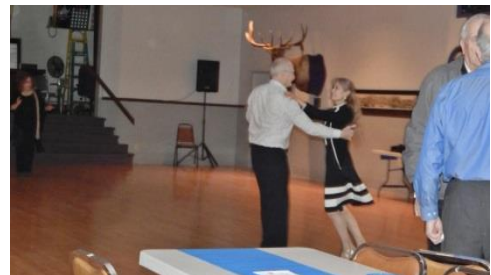
## News & Views

The next DCGH board meeting will be **Mon., Feb. 6, 2023, at 6 p.m.** at Hoquiam Chiropractic (Mark Van Hemert's office), 320 23<sup>rd</sup> St., Hoquiam. The March board meeting will be on Mon., Mar. 6, 2023, at 6pm. Anyone interested in ballroom dance is welcome to attend the meetings.

### Dance 1/14/23







## Editor's Notes:

Randy Litch is playing live music for the dance on February 11 for our Valentine's Day and 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance! Wow! The changes we've seen, the things we've lived through in those 15 years! This dance is traditionally a semi-formal dance (that's optional), a chance to dress up and celebrate!



In March, we're going to change a few things. First, we probably won't have lessons because we don't have very many people who come for those. (*But that's subject to change, depending on how it goes.*) So our hours will be changing to 7:30 to 10pm as of the 3/11/23 dance. Second, Mark will be playing music according to the 'theme' of the evening. If it's a West Coast Swing night (as it will be on 3/11), he'll play WCS every 4<sup>th</sup> song, at least for the first half of the evening, so you'll be able to get your fill of WCS. The 'theme' will change each month, so the April dance might be Waltz, or Salsa, or something else.

Our thanks to all the dancers who keep coming and keep dancing and keep our Dance Club going year after year!

***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](http://www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com).

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

[www.youtube.com/user/1AlaskaGal](http://www.youtube.com/user/1AlaskaGal).

Photos of the Senior Games heats posted on Flickr: [www.flickr.com/photos/sjpleusphotos/albums/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/sjpleusphotos/albums/).

If you're on Facebook, you can go to our page: [www.facebook.com/groups/danceclubofgraysharbor](http://www.facebook.com/groups/danceclubofgraysharbor)



***Arlene Hoiland, our founder, instructor,  
Inspiration, family, friend,  
And so much more!  
We miss you!***

