



Dance Club of Grays Harbor Newsletter

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Dance & Music Coordinator: Mark Van Hemert
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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

Jan. 20 Feb. 17 Mar. 16
Apr. 20 May 18

Sat., Feb. 3: Olympia Elks, 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Music: Tropics Duo**; **Dance:** 7-10pm; \$10 entry Elks members; all others \$12; Info: (360) 753-0186; www.olympiaelks.org (upcoming music: 2/3/24 Tropics Duo; 3/2/24 Michael Crain Duo)

Sun., Feb. 11: Greater Olympia Dixieland Jazz Society

at Olympia Elks (2nd Sun.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Music:** _____; **Dance:** 1-4pm; FREE for this dance only! admission \$14, or \$10 for members. Info: mccrarydavid@hotmail.com (360) 943-9123



Sat., Feb. 17: Dance Club of Grays Harbor (3rd Sat.), Anniversary and Valentine's Ball

at Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St., Hoquiam; **Music: DJ Dr. Mark**; **Dance:** 7:30-10 pm. Mixers, Demos, Silent Auction/ Raffle. (Food and refreshments are available through the Elks.) Members: \$10; Guests: \$10. www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com



Sat., Feb. 17: Love to Dance Club Dance

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



Sat., Mar. 2: Olympia Elks, 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Music: Michael Drain Duo**; **Dance:** 7-10pm; \$10 entry Elks members; all others \$12; Info: (360) 753-0186; www.olympiaelks.org

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, 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.

Sun., Mar. 10: Greater Olympia Dixieland Jazz Society, at Olympia Elks (2nd Sun.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Music:** _____; **Dance:** 1-4pm; FREE for this dance only! admission \$14, or \$10 for members. Info: mccrarydavid@hotmail.com (360) 943-9123



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

Sat., Mar. 16: Dance Club of Grays Harbor (3rd Sat.), Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St., Hoquiam; **Music: DJ Dr. Mark; Dance:** 7:30-10 pm. Mixers, Demos, Silent Auction/Raffle. (Food and refreshments are available through the Elks.) Members: \$10; Guests: \$10. www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com (This is tentative as there may be a conflict with the Hoquiam Elks.)



Randy Band schedule:

2/3	Aberdeen Elks	7-10pm
2/17	Oakville Rodeo Event Center	7-10pm
2/24	Tenino Eagles	7-10pm
3/16	Oakville REC	7-10pm
3/23	Aberdeen Elks	7-10pm
4/13	Oakville REC	7-10pm
4/20	Aberdeen Elks	7-10pm
5/18	Oakville REC	7-10pm
5/25	Aberdeen Elks	7-10pm
6/1	Elma Eagles	7-10pm
6/8	Olympia Eagles	8pm-12am
6/15	Aberdeen Elks	7-10pm

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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 Saturday each month
Sunday – NW Dancesport Dance in Auburn

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

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., February 12, 2024, at 6pm** at Mark Van Hemert's office. Anyone interested in ballroom dance is welcome to attend the meetings.

I'm sorry that I don't have more current dance photos. I had covid for the 1/20/24 dance. Hope you all had a great time!



11/25/2023 Dance



Editor's Notes:

The next DCGH dance will be February 17. It's our Anniversary and Valentine's Day dance. Traditionally, it's been a semi-formal occasion, but that's totally optional, and we've kind of been getting away from the more fancy attire. I miss all the hoopla and elegance that we had for the Christmas and Anniversary dances, but times do change. Cost is only \$10 per person. Dance is from 7:30 to 10pm. DJ Dr. Mark will be playing the music for the dance.



We'll have another great silent auction, so come look it over while we dance!

Hey, all you people who come out and dance with us – WAY TO GO!!! What a great bunch of people! Keep on dancing!

Dance! It's what we do!

Sharon Pleus

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



We miss you so much!

To dance is to live!

~ Charles M. Schulz



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