



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

(no dances in June, July or August 2023)

Sept. 23 Oct. 28
Nov. 25 Dec. 23?

Sat., July 1: Olympia Elks, 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Lesson:** West Coast Swing; **Music:** DJ Terry West; **Dance:** 7-10pm; \$10 entry Elks members; all others \$12; Info: (360) 753-0186; www.olympiaelks.org

Sat., July 15: Love to Dance Club Dance, at Olympia Elks (3rd Sat.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Lesson:** Rumba; **Music:** Paul Barber Duo; **Dance:** 8-10:30pm; LTD and Elks Members \$10; guests \$12; Info: (360) 701-0600



Sun., July 16: OLY Eagles Ballroom, Summer Dance Party/Sock Hop; 805- 4th Ave. (4th & Plum), Olympia; featuring 50's & 60's music from 7-10pm; Admission: \$12 or higher donation; \$7 students; <https://www.facebook.com/events/270846755601079>

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

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



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

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.

Sun., Sept. 10: Greater Olympia Dixieland Jazz Society, at Olympia Elks (2nd Sun.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Music: Jacob Zimmerman Group; Dance: 1-4pm;** admission \$14, or \$10 for members. Info: charlottedickison@comcast.net; (360) 943-9123



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



Sat., Sept. 23: Dance Club of Grays Harbor (now 4th Sat.), at Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St., Hoquiam; **no dance lesson, dance starts at 7:30! Music: DJ Mark Van Hemert; 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



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

Sat., Oct. 28: Dance Club of Grays Harbor (now 4th Sat.), at Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St., Hoquiam; combination Hoquiam Elks Halloween Party and DCGH Dance; **Music: _____ ???; 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



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

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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)  
 \* Marie Kiser – 360/880-5492, Centralia [mkiser1202@aol.com](mailto:mkiser1202@aol.com)

## News & Views

The next DCGH board meeting will be **Mon., July 10, 2023, at 6 p.m.** at Hoquiam Chiropractic (Mark Van Hemert's office), 320 23<sup>rd</sup> St., Hoquiam. Anyone interested in ballroom dance is welcome to attend the meetings.

### 5/13/2023 Dance



## 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





December's dance is just before Christmas, so we'll have a discussion about the upcoming dances at our board meeting on 7/10.



We really appreciate it that you keep coming to our dances, and that you keep dancing and keep our Dance Club going year after year! What a great bunch of people!

**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!*



**Editor's Notes:**

Nope, you didn't miss the June newsletter. I took a break from doing 'Dance Club' stuff for awhile. I've been doing the newsletter since 2012 and sometimes I just get a little tired. Updates to the web site will be coming shortly.

New, starting in September, our dances will be on the **4<sup>th</sup> Saturday** of the month. As a reminder, the dances now are from 7:30 to 10pm, with no lesson beforehand because not many people came for them. *(But that's subject to change, depending on how it goes.)* (Mark did teach some lessons at the April dance as a few people were interested.)

DJ Mark Van Hemert will be playing music according to the 'theme' of the evening. The 'theme' will change each month, so the September dance could be anything! Let us know what you think!

It's going to get complicated starting in October. The Hoquiam Elks is having their Halloween Party that night and they have graciously said we could have our dance that night along with them! Wow! That should be a hoot! I bet we see lots of costumes, too. I'll let you know who will be playing.

November's dance is right after Thanksgiving, so we should be able to dance off a lot of that turkey and dressing!

**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/iAlaskaGal](http://www.youtube.com/user/iAlaskaGal).

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)