



Dance Club of Grays Harbor Newsletter

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Dances & Dancing

DCGH 2018 DANCE SCHEDULE

Hoquiam Elks, 624 K Street, Hoquiam
Admission is now only \$10 per person
(* Special event dance – formal/semi-formal attire optional)
(** Halloween dance — costumes optional)

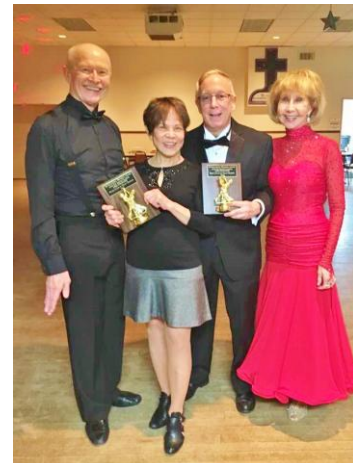
Date 2017	Band	Lesson
Mar. 17	Casanova	Foxtrot
Apr. 21	Michael & Leslie	Tango
May 19	Casanova	Night Club Two-Step
NOTE: June-August - Off for the summer!		
Sept. 15	TBA	TBA

Sat., Feb. 24: Aberdeen Elks, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; ENF Fundraiser; Music: King Bros.; 5pm social & silent auction; 6pm dinner; dance **7pm-??;** Reservations only; \$15 per person; Info: (360) 532-2211



Outstanding Member Awards

The Board voted to award the Outstanding Member Award to Lori Fournier and Steve Raher, who have been our treasurers and hospitality team since the beginning of time! Congratulations! And thanks for all of your service over the past years!



Mark Van Hemert, Lori Fournier, Steve Raher, Arlene Hoiland

2018 Dance Club Membership dues –
only \$0 per person!!!

That's right - \$0.00 for 2018!

Dance admission is now \$10 per person!

Please make checks payable to
DANCE CLUB OF GRAYS HARBOR
6939 North Bank Road, Aberdeen, WA 98520
(or pay at the dance)

DCGH Contact Information:

Arlene Hoiland:
(360) 533-1412



Van Hemert Expression of Dance Award

Mark Van Hemert awarded his Expression of Dance Award, a print of Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers, to Arlene Hoiland!



Arlene Hoiland and Mark Van Hemert

Special Award

Margaret Sherwood presented Mark Van Hemert a special award of a dance photo taken of himself dancing with Arlene Hoiland.



Margaret Sherwood and Mark Van Hemert

Dance Shoes Raffle 2/17/18

The winner of the raffle for the dance shoes from the Glass Slipper was (amazingly) me, Sharon Pleus! Mark Van Hemert sold all 100 tickets, and a guest, who did not buy a ticket, drew the winning ticket.

Check out the Glass Slipper stores in Portland, Beaverton and Corvallis, and look online at theglassslipperdanceshoes.com/.

(They carry men's, women's and children's dance shoes, as well as a line of clothing.)



Pictured left to right: Tom Casey, wearing the tuxedo he won last November; Sharon Pleus, winner of the dance shoes raffle; and Mark Van Hemert, "master" raffle-ticket-seller!

Fri., Mar. 2: Olympia Elks (1st & 3rd Fri.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Music: Casanova; Dance:** 8-11 pm \$12 (members \$10). Info: (360) 753-0186/

Fri., Mar. 2: Olympia Center Ballroom, 222 Columbia St. NW, Olympia; **Music: Jive Aces;** swing and R&B music; **Dance:** starting at 9pm; \$30 limited table seating; \$25 for chair seating. (fundraiser for OLY Eagles ballroom) <https://olympia-eagles-fundraiser.ticketleap.com/jive-aces-danceshow-at-the-olympia-center-ballroom/>

Sat., Mar. 3: Olympia Elks (1st Sat.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Music: Broken Sky;** country dance lesson at 7pm; **Dance:** 8-11 pm \$10. Info: (360) 753-0186/

Fri., Mar. 9: Love to Dance Club, at Olympia Elks (2nd & 4th Fri.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Music: Michael & Leslie; Dance:** 8-11 pm; Members \$8; guests \$12; Info: (360) 357-8656



Thurs., Mar. 10: 593 Singers, at Aberdeen Elks 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; 7-9pm; Info: (360) 532-2211



Sun., Mar. 11: Greater Olympia Dixieland Jazz Society, at Olympia Elks, 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Music: Market Street; Dance:** 1-4pm \$14 (members \$10). www.olyjazz.com/



Fri., Mar. 16: Olympia Elks (1st & 3rd Fri.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Music: NAPU; Dance:** 8-11 pm \$12 (members \$10). Info: (360) 753-0186/

Fri., Mar. 16: Absolutely Ballroom, at Olympia Eagles, 805 4th Ave. E. (4th & Plum), Olympia; **Music: Michael & Leslie; Dance:** 8-10:30 pm \$10. www.absolutelyballroomllc.com/

Sat., Mar. 17: Dance Club of Grays Harbor (3rd Sat.), Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St., Hoquiam; **Music: Casanova; FREE Lesson: Foxtrot** 7-8 pm – Arlene Hoiland; **Dance:** 8-10:30 pm. **There will be a dessert and other goodies silent auction!** Mixers, Demos, Silent Auction/ Raffle. (Food and refreshments are available through the Elks.) Members: \$9; Guests: \$12. Info: (360) 533-1412; www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com



Fri., Mar. 23: Love to Dance Club, at Olympia Elks (2nd & 4th Fri.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Music: Casanova; Dance:** 8-11 pm; Members \$8; guests \$12; Info: (360) 357-8656



Thurs., Mar. 29: Dukes of Swing, at Aberdeen Elks (last Thurs. of the month), 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; 7-9pm; Info: (360) 532-2211 Facebook page: www.facebook.com/thedukesofswing



Fri., Apr. 6: Olympia Elks (1st & 3rd Fri.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Music: Dreamchasers; Dance:** 8-11 pm \$12 (members \$10). Info: (360) 753-0186/

Sun., Apr. 8: Greater Olympia Dixieland Jazz Society, at Olympia Elks, 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia;

Music: Clearbrook Dixieland Jazz Band; **Dance:** 1-4pm \$14 (members \$10). www.olyjazz.com/



Fri., Apr. 13: Love to Dance Club, at Olympia Elks (2nd & 4th Fri.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Music:** Michael & Leslie; **Dance:** 8-11 pm; Members \$8; guests \$12; Info: (360) 357-8656



Fri., Apr. 20: Olympia Elks (1st & 3rd Fri.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Music:** Michael & Leslie; **Dance:** 8-11 pm \$12 (members \$10). Info: (360) 753-0186/

Fri., Apr. 20: Absolutely Ballroom, at Olympia Eagles, 805 4th Ave. E. (4th & Plum), Olympia; **Music:** Casanova; **Dance:** 8-10:30 pm \$10. www.absolutelyballroomllc.com/

Sat., Apr. 21: Dance Club of Grays Harbor (3rd Sat.), Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St., Hoquiam; **Music:** Michael & Leslie; **FREE Lesson: Tango;** 7-8 pm – Arlene Hoiland; **Dance:** 8-10:30 pm. Mixers, Demos, Silent Auction/ Raffle. Special dance shoes raffle drawing! (Food and refreshments are available through the Elks.) Members: \$9; Guests: \$12. Info: (360) 533-1412; www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com



Thurs., Apr. 27: Dukes of Swing, at Aberdeen Elks (last Thurs. of the month), 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; 7-9pm; Info: (360) 532-2211 Facebook page: www.facebook.com/thedukesofswing



Fri., May 4: Olympia Elks (2nd & 4th Fri.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Cinco de Mayo; Music:** Casanova; **Dance:** 8-11 pm; Members \$8; guests \$12; Info: (360) 357-8656

Fri., May 11: Love to Dance Club, at Olympia Elks (2nd & 4th Fri.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia;; **Music:** Michael & Leslie; **Dance:** 8-11 pm; Members \$8; guests \$12; Info: (360) 357-8656



Other Dancing Events!

Mondays: Aberdeen Elks, 1712 Boone St., Aberdeen; **Rockin' Deuce Line dancing:** 6:30 – 8pm. Elks (360) 532-2211 or Brenda (360) 470-4209



Mondays: Evergreen Country Dancers, at Olympia Elks, 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; line, country or swing lessons 6:30-7:30pm; **open dancing:** 7:30-8:30 pm \$5 (members \$3). Info: (360) 753-0186 or (360) 352-8933/ www.evergreencountrydancers.com/



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. See website for cost. www.olyswing.com/



Fridays: Shelton Elks – Country Dancing, 741 SE Craig Rd., Shelton; dancing 6–12pm; (no cover charge); (360) 426-2322/ www.sheltonelks2467.com

Fridays: Ocean Shores Elks, 199 Ocean Lake Way SE, Ocean Shores; **Music: Charlie Baer or Arley;** **Dance:** 6:30pm – 9:30pm or later. Info: Call (360) 289-2581. www.elks.org/lodges/lodgecalendar.cfm?LodgeNumber=2581

Sundays: Swede Hall (1st, 3rd and 5th Sun.), 18543 Albany Street, Rochester; **Dance:** 1:30 to 4:30pm. \$5 per person. Snacks available for sale. (360) 273-7974

Sundays: Olympia Eagles Sunday Night Swing, 4th & Plum, Olympia; lesson 7pm; dancing ECS, Blues, Lindy Hop 7:30-10:30pm; \$5 cover (\$10 on live music nights). www.sundaynightswing.com www.facebook.com/groups/133317472404/P

Other Dances: Check out Steve Fisher's newsletter with information about other dances around the area: www.dancetacoma.org/local-resources/newsletters/

News & Views

DCGH Board Meeting

The next DCGH board meeting will be held on **Tues., Mar. 6, 2017, at 7 p.m.** at the Aberdeen Elks, 1712 S. Boone Street. All dance club members are welcome to attend the meetings. Dinner available 5-7 p.m.

Dance Classes Begin 3/7/18

Arlene Hoiland will teach two new dance classes at the Grays Harbor College HUB building beginning 3/7/18 through 4/4/18. East Coast Swing at 7pm; Night Club Two-Step at 8pm. For more info on the classes, call the college at 538-4088, or go to this web site, www.campusce.net/ghc/category/category.aspx and click on Health & Wellness to get more information and to register. (Discount for those of us over 50!)

Dance Club 10th Anniversary Dance on 2/17/18







Mark Van Hemert and Arlene Hoiland demonstrate the Cha-Cha

Editor's Note:

Behind the Dance Club

Volunteers have a special something, and the people who make the Dance Club what it is are very special indeed. It is fitting that we acknowledge those people who make our Dance Club what it is. So, whether it is promoting our Dance Club on the radio, or scheduling the marvelous bands who play the live music for our dances, or designing the steps for the dance lessons, or dancing until the last dance to help put tables and chairs away after an exhilarating and tiring night of dance, these are the people who make the Dance Club of Grays Harbor a success. Without you, the volunteers, the dancers, the people who care, the Dance Club would not exist. And without the people who come to our dances, we would not be able to continue.

The Officers, Board Members and Committee Members are listed on the first page of our newsletters, but here is some of what goes on behind the scenes:

- Arlene Hoiland plans and teaches and coordinates every possible aspect of the Dance Club;
- Mark Van Hemert schedules the live music and arranges the music for the lessons and

demonstrations, gets the donations for the raffles (and then sells all the tickets);

- Margaret Sherwood deals with the publicity and flyers for our dances and gets amazing donations from businesses for our silent auctions and raffles;
- Steve Raher and Lori Fournier have greeted people at the door and keep track of our finances for years (and Steve paid for the monthly liquor license for all that time, too!);
- Tim Van Houten takes care of the memorials, all the way from Arizona;
- Mark Swanson coordinates the silent auction;
- Scott Weyer or Mark Swanson or Mark Van Hemert perform most of the dance demonstrations with Arlene;
- Sharon Pleus (that's me) does the videos of the dancing demonstrations and posts them to YouTube and Facebook; takes and edits photos of the general dancing and posts them to Facebook; and creates and sends out the newsletters and notices;
- So many individuals stay around to help clean up and put the decorations away, fold up chairs and tables, and put the hall in order (and thank you Hoquiam Elks that we don't have to do that now!);
- The rest of you volunteers make sure that the Dance Club keeps going by contributing your time and efforts in other ways;
- And special thanks to the legions of dancers who keep coming to trip the light fantastic with us –

Thank you all so much!

And thank you all for joining us in celebrating our **10th Anniversary** at the dance on February 17! We had a busy night, with a few awards ceremonies, the raffle for the dance shoes from The Glass Slipper, and a couple of other raffles for some really nice prizes. Michael & Leslie were troopers in keeping the music going while everyone was getting organized! You guys are awesome!



Our next dance just happens to be on St. Patrick's Day. I'm thinking there will be a lot of wearin' o' the green for that dance! Why don't you come join us and see what it's all about!

Dance! It's what we do!



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