



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

Mar. 9 Apr. 20 May 18

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

Sat., Mar. 9: Dance Club of Grays Harbor (3rd Sat.), Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St., Hoquiam; **PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE THIS MONTH TO 3/9/24**; **Music: DJ Dr. Mark**; **Dance:** 7:30-10 pm. Mixers, Demos, Silent Auction. (Food and refreshments are available through the Elks.) Members: \$10; Guests: \$10. www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com **March 14 is Pi Day, so the silent auction will have PIES to bid on!**



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



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



Sat., Apr. 6: 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: 4/6/24 Tropics Duo; 5/4/24 Michael Crain Duo; 6/1/24 Tropics Duo)

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.

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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/tacomaswingdance/>. 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

Randy Band schedule:

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



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., April 1, 2024, at 6pm** at Mark Van Hemert's office. Anyone interested in ballroom dance is welcome to attend the meetings.

2/17/2024 Dance





Editor's Notes:

The next DCGH dance will be March 9, yet another change. *Pi Day is March 14 (3.14), so we'll be bringing pies for the silent auction to celebrate.* Come check out the selections!

Upcoming dances will be on April 20 and May 18. We're also going to see about a dance in June, possibly on the 1st Saturday if that works for the Elks. Mark is also working with them for dates for dances for fall. I'm sorry about all the changes of dates. We're just trying to see what works here.

Cost is still only \$10 per person. Dance is from 7:30 to 10pm. DJ Dr. Mark will be playing the music for the dance.

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

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!

Nobody cares if you can't dance well. Just get up and dance!

~Dave Barry

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