



# Dance Club of Grays Harbor Newsletter

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2023 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.

## Dances & Dancing

### Dance Club of Grays Harbor

Hoquiam Elks, 624 K Street, Hoquiam  
Dance admission is only \$10 per person

### 2023 DANCE SCHEDULE

Oct. 28 with Hoquiam Elks Halloween Party  
Nov. 25 Dec. 23?

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

**Sun., Oct. 8: 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: [charlottedickison@comcast.net](mailto:charlottedickison@comcast.net); (360) 943-9123



**Sat., Oct. 21: Love to Dance Club Dance, at Olympia Elks** (3rd Sat.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Lesson:** Salsa; **Music: Kregg Mattson**; **Dance:** 8-10:30pm; LTD and Elks Members \$10; guests \$12; Info: (360) 701-0600



**Sat., Oct. 28: Dance Club of Grays Harbor** (now 4th Sat.), at Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St., Hoquiam; **This dance is in combination Hoquiam Elks Halloween Party and DCGH Dance;** **Music: The Six; Dance: 9pm-?? pm;** Doors open at 8pm; Cost is \$20 per person. (See Flyer attached to this email.) ~~Mixers, Demos, Silent Auction/ Raffle.~~ (Food and refreshments are available through the Elks.) ~~Members: \$10; Guests: \$10.~~  
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DCGH would appreciate raffle gift donations at our monthly dance if you would like to "re-gift" something nice. Thanks!

## Other Dancing Events

**Sat., Oct. 28: Aberdeen Elks, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; Halloween Bash IX; dancing: 7pm-1:45am; **Music:** Mystic **Sound & Lighting;** \$20 cover charge to non-members; member donations greatly appreciated; 21+ with valid ID to enter, then wristband; 7-10pm dancing to the oldies in the ballroom; 10pm to close nightclub environment (LOUD); 7pm-TBD in the Antler Room with the **Randy Band**; and in the Café, Alan's Encore Photo will be doing photos; Info: (360) 532-2211; see Aberdeen Elks Facebook page for more info.**



**Sat., Oct. 28: Olympia Elks, 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; membership drive; Halloween Dance; **Music:** FunkTown Blues; **Dance:** 7-11:15pm; \$10 per person; costumes encouraged! Info: (360) 753-0186; please bring a canned food item for the food bank. [www.olympiaelks.org](http://www.olympiaelks.org)**

**Sat., Nov. 4: 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](http://www.olympiaelks.org)**

**Sun., Nov. 12: 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: [charlottedickison@comcast.net](mailto:charlottedickison@comcast.net); (360) 943-9123**



**Sat., Nov. 18: Love to Dance Club Dance, at Olympia Elks (3rd Sat.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Lesson:** Salsa; **Music:** \_\_\_\_\_; **Dance:** 8-10:30pm; LTD and Elks Members \$10; guests \$12; Info: (360) 701-0600**



**Sat., Nov. 25: Dance Club of Grays Harbor (4th Sat.), at Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St., Hoquiam; **Music:** DJ Dr. Mark Van Hemert; **Dance:** no dance lesson, dance starts at 7:30-10 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)

(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/](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; \$9 members; \$12 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) 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/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, 4<sup>th</sup> & Plum: Salsa Fridays; 7:30 lesson; 9-12 salsa social dance; \$10**

**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:**

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

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## News & Views

The next DCGH board meeting will be **Mon., October 2, 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.

Dr. Mark Van Hemert is teaching dance classes at the Aberdeen Elks. The next set of lessons will begin on 10/23 from 6:30-7:30pm for 6 weeks at \$10 per person per lesson. He will be teaching East Coast Swing and Salsa.



## 5/13/2023 Dance





Those are the days that the Hoquiam Elks had available for us. I hope you can all join us.

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 so much!***



**To dance is to live!**

~ Charles M. Schulz

## Editor's Notes:

The DCGH October 28 dance will be in conjunction with the Halloween Party at the Hoquiam Elks. **Cost will be \$20 per person. Doors open at 8pm, party starts at 9pm. Music by The Six.**



In November, our dances will be back on schedule on the **4<sup>th</sup> Saturday** of the month from 7:30 to 10pm, with no lesson beforehand. So November's dance is on 11/25, just after Thanksgiving; December's dance is on 12/23, just before Christmas.

## 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/sipleusphotos/albums/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/sipleusphotos/albums/).

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