



# Dance Club of Grays Harbor Newsletter

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## Dances & Dancing

### Dance Club of Grays Harbor

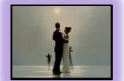
Hoquiam Elks, 624 K Street, Hoquiam  
Dance admission is only \$10 per person  
Dance is from 7:30pm to 10pm

### 2025 DANCE SCHEDULE

January 4      February 8      March 22

**Sat., Jan. 4, 2025: Olympia Elks, 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; Lesson: American Tango 7-8pm; Music: Michael Crain Duo; Dance: 8-10:30pm; \$10 entry Elks members; all others \$12; Info: (360) 753-0186; [www.olympiaelks.org](http://www.olympiaelks.org)**

**Sat., Jan. 4, 2025: Dance Club of Grays Harbor (1st Sat.), Hoquiam Elks, 624 K St., Hoquiam; Music: DJ Dr. Mark; Dance: 7:30-10 pm. Mixers, Demos, Silent Auction. (Food and refreshments available through the Elks.) Members and Guests: \$10. [www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com](http://www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com)**



**Sun., Jan. 12, 2025: Greater Olympia Dixieland Jazz Society, at Olympia Elks (2nd Sun.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; Music: Mud Bay Jazz Band; Dance: 1-4pm; admission \$14, or \$10 for members. Info: Peter Pease @ 360-280-5019 or [sixtyrso@comcast.net](mailto:sixtyrso@comcast.net)**



**Sat., Jan. 18, 2025: Love to Dance Club Dance, at Olympia Elks (3rd Sat.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; Lesson: Foxtrot 7-8pm; Music: Tropics Duo; Dance: 8-10:30pm; LTD and Elks Members \$10; guests \$12; Info: (360) 701-0600**



**Sat., Jan. 25, 2025: Aberdeen Elks, 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; Dancing: 7pm; Music: Randy Band; Info (360) 532-2211**

2025 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, live 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 Cupid Shuffle, Cowboy Cha-Cha, and Electric Slide.

**Sat., Feb. 1, 2025: Olympia Elks**, 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Lesson:** \_\_\_\_\_ **7-8pm; Music:** \_\_\_\_\_; **Dance: 8-10:30pm;** \$10 entry Elks members; all others \$12; Info: (360) 753-0186; [www.olympiaelks.org](http://www.olympiaelks.org)

**Sat., Feb. 8, 2025: Dance Club of Grays Harbor Anniversary & Valentine Dance**

**(2nd Sat.), Hoquiam Elks**, 624 K St., Hoquiam; **Music: Randy Litch;** **Dance:** 7:30-10 pm. Mixers, Demos, Silent Auction. (Refreshments and food available through the Elks.) Members and Guests: \$10. [www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com](http://www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com)



**Sun., Feb. 9, 2025: Greater Olympia Dixieland Jazz Society, at Olympia Elks (2nd Sun.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; Music:** \_\_\_\_\_; **Dance:** 1-4pm; Info: Peter

Pease @ 360-280-5019 or [sixtyrso@comcast.net](mailto:sixtyrso@comcast.net)



**Sat., Feb. 15, 2025: Love to Dance Club Dance, at Olympia Elks (3rd Sat.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; Lesson:** \_\_\_\_\_ **7-8pm; Music:** \_\_\_\_\_; **Dance: 8-10:30pm;** LTD and Elks Members \$10; guests \$12; Info: (360) 701-0600



**Sat., Mar. 22, 2025: Dance Club of Grays Harbor (4th Sat.), Hoquiam Elks**, 624 K St., Hoquiam; **Music: DJ Dr. Mark;** **Dance:** 7:30-10 pm. Mixers, Demos, Silent Auction. (Food and refreshments available through the Elks.) Members and Guests: \$10. [www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com](http://www.danceclubofgraysharbor.com)



## 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/](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; \$10 members; \$13 everyone else; membership \$25; [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/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**, 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

**Saturday** – 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays: Aberdeen Elks

Randy Band 2025 Schedule:

Saturdays: 1/25; 2/15, 3/29, 4/26, 5/31, 6/28,

7/26, 8/30, 9/27, 10/25, 11/29, 12/20;

And Wed., 12/31/25 for New Year's Eve

**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., Feb. 3, at 5:30 pm** at Mark Van Hemert's office. Anyone interested in ballroom dance is welcome to attend the meetings.

### 11/23/2024 Dance Photos



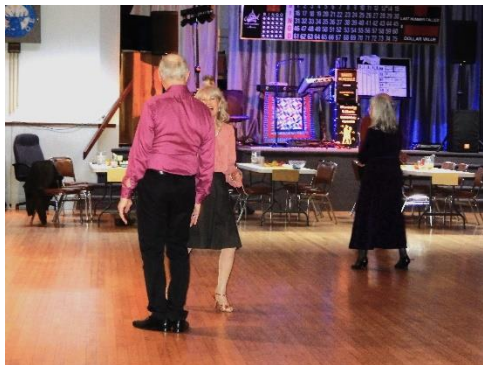




Steve Thompson in his 'tan shoes with pink shoelaces'







### Editor's Notes:

Hoquiam Elks has the following dates available for our dances for the first 3 months of 2025: 1/4/25 (1<sup>st</sup> Sat.), 2/8/25 (2<sup>nd</sup> Sat.), and 3/22/25 (4<sup>th</sup> Sat.). We'll let you know when the April and May (and possibly June) dances are scheduled.

We wish you all a happy and healthy New Year!

***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!*



Every day brings a chance for you to draw in a breath, kick off your shoes, and dance.

~ Oprah Winfrey ~

