



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

June 14 Sept. 13
Oct. 25 Nov. 15

Sat., Sept. 6: Olympia Elks, 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Lesson: West Coast Swing 7-8pm;** **Music: Tropics Duo; Dance: 8-10:30pm;** \$10 entry Elks members; all others \$12; Info: (360) 753-0186; www.olympiaelks.org

Sat., Sept. 13, 2025: Dance Club of Grays Harbor (2nd 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



Sat., Sept. 20, 2025: Love to Dance Club Dance, at Olympia Elks (3rd Sat.), 1818 4th Ave. E., Olympia; **Lesson: Rumba** with Shea Mia 7-8pm; **Music: Tropics Duo; Dance: 8-10:30pm;** LTD and Elks Members \$10; guests \$12; Info: (360) 701-0600



Sat., Sept. 27: Aberdeen Elks; 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; **Music: The Randy Band;** **Dance:** 7pm-??; Info: (360) 532-2211



Fri., Oct. 3: Aberdeen Elks; 1712 S. Boone St., Aberdeen; dancing 7-9pm; **Music: Dukes of Swing;** 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., Oct. 4: 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

Sat., Oct. 25, 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. 
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Sat., Nov, 15, 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. 
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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!

Wednesdays: Olympia Eagles, 4th & Plum: Salsa Fridays; 7:30 lesson; 9-12 salsa social dance; \$10

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 Avalon Ballroom in Tacoma; every Thursday; lesson 8pm; dance 8:30-11:30pm; <https://www.facebook.com/tacomasingdance/>. Masks and proof of vaccination required. 

Ballroom dance classes are being offered through the Tenino Parks & Rec; call 808/212-4597 for info.

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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)  
**Wednesday** – Salsa Dance Social in OLY  
**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** – Rockin’ Horse Dance Barn in Renton  
**Saturday** – Pacific Ballroom in Auburn  
**Saturday** – 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays: **Aberdeen Elks** Randy Band 2025 Schedule: Saturdays: 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)

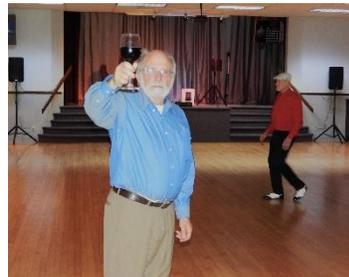
## News & Views

The next DCGH board meeting will be **Mon., Sept. 8, at 5:30 pm** at Mark Van Hemert’s office. Anyone interested in ballroom dance is welcome to attend the meetings.

Our Vice President, and a very active Elks member, Steve (Rocky) Raher, had a great profile in the Aberdeen Elks newsletter, The Antler. Stop by the Aberdeen Elks and see if you can get a copy with the profile!



# 6/14/25 Dance Photos



## Editor's Notes:

Our September dance is on Saturday, 9/14, from 7:30 to 10pm. We haven't had a September dance since 2019 as we always had a conflict with Logger's Playday weekend. We'll have dances in October and November, then we'll be off until January as there are so many other holiday dances to attend.

10/25 (4<sup>th</sup> Sat.)

11/15 (3<sup>rd</sup> Sat.)

Don't forget our silent auction! Mark and Amelia Van Hemert bring their homemade apple for it! We've had some really nice gifts (and some strange ones) donated from businesses and from individuals. (Now where did I put those light sabers?)

I'd love to be able to take more photos of all of you when you come to our dances! Come join us!

### ***Dance! It's what we do!***

Sharon Pleus

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### 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/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)

*Arlene Hoiland, our founder, instructor, inspiration, family, friend, and so much more!*



*We miss you so much!*



*Put a little fun in your life. Try dancing!*

*~ Kathryn Murray ~*

