



JUNE 2023

GREAT LAKES SWING DANCE NEWS

Message from our President

Hello Dancers,

A quick reminder to everyone ~ Please be courteous when entering RollHaven while the lesson is being taught, hold your talking to a whisper. ~ During the 8pm announcements, please be considerate of those who want to hear what's happening in the club and upcoming dances.

We celebrated Country Night on May 10th at RollHaven. It was a great night with 127 members and guests in attendance. There were delicious desserts along with May's birthday cake for everyone to enjoy. DJ Dave Wolf kept the dance floor full while he played all our favorite tunes.

There will be a GLSDC Board meeting held at Ernie Callard's home in Swartz Creek on Monday, June 12th. The meeting starts @ 6pm. All members are welcome to attend.

The annual club picnic is just around the corner, mark August 6th on your calendar for this event. Again, it will be held at the Polish American Veterans Park on Carpenter Rd. in Flint. It starts at noon. The club will be providing hotdogs and hamburgers along with pop and water. Please bring a dish to pass. Angela Markle will be our DJ. This event is free to members, all others will be charged \$10 at the gate. There will also be a short membership meeting starting @ 12:45.

June's lesson is Salsa taught by Angela Markle. The DJ's line up: Dave, Angela, Dave and Angela.

See you on the dance floor,

Jim



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2023 GLSDC DANCE LESSON SCHEDULE

MONTH	LESSON	INSTRUCTOR
January	Hustle	Claudia Bleil
February	Night Club Two Step	Angela Markle
March - 1 st week	Line Dances	Katie Van Patten
March	East Coast Swing	Carolyn Wehner
April	West Coast Swing	Terry Council
May - 1 st week	Line Dances	Andrea Venner
May	Country Two Step	Claudia Bleil
June	Salsa	Angela Markle
July	East Coast Swing	Colette Simerson
August - 1 st week	Line Dances	Andrea Venner
August	West Coast Swing	Terry Council
September	Social	Colette Simerson
October	Rumba	Angela Markle
November	West Coast Swing	Terry Council
November - 5 th week	Line Dances	Andrea Venner
December	East Coast Swing	Pam Malow-Isham

2023 GLSDC EVENTS

Annual Club Picnic	August 6 th	Polish Veteran's Park
College Night	September 13 th	RollHaven
Halloween Costume Dance	October 25 th	RollHaven
Veteran's Day	November 8 th	RollHaven
Thanksgiving Food Drive	November 1 st , 8 th , 15 th & 22 nd	RollHaven
West Coasting for Warmth	December 6 th	RollHaven
New Year's Eve Dance	December 31 th	St. John's - Fenton



All you Ever Need to Know About Relationships Can be learned in a West Coast Swing Class

By Skippy Blair

- + Lead her GENTLY and she'll follow you anywhere.
- + Never CRITICIZE a Partner. The only person you can FIX is YOU. (The person responsible for making an ADJUSTMENT, is the one who knows an adjustment needs to be made.)
- + A Lead is an INDICATION of direction (a suggestion – never a command).
- + A DANCE PARTNERSHIP is 50/50. BOTH partners are equally responsible for the outcome of the partnership.
- + If a partner insists on deciding which one is right & which one is wrong, they Both Lose.
- + FIRST Rule is learning something new: Don't Hurt Anybody.
- + The only thing one should ever tell a dance partner is "You are WONDERFUL".
- + Concentration should be on WHAT is right, rather than WHO is right.
- + TEAMWORK gets the points. We are frequently judged by how good we make our partners look (and feel).
- + A good Partnership requires patience, understanding and a sincere desire to care about the needs of the other partner.
- + The way to help a partner improve, is to do YOUR part so well that you know you are not part of the PROBLEM.
- + Life is a JOY when we're both in step to the same BEAT.
- + Praise works wonders. Applaud little accomplishments and bigger ones will follow.
- + We frequently judge others, not by who they are, but by who WE are when we are with them. Make your partner feel wonderful.
- + Every dance is a "Three Minute Relationship". If someone can't complete a "3 minute" dance without criticizing a partner, it is highly probable that when the music stops – the criticism won't.
- + A successful "Partnership" maintains the separate uniqueness of each individual. They maintain their connection, and are still able to create an exciting new entity that actually IS the Partnership.



Skippy Blair (March 15, 1924 – June 30, 2021) was an American ballroom dancer credited with popularizing "[West Coast Swing](#)." Blair was a member of a group that successfully lobbied the State Legislature in 1988 to have West Coast Swing designated as the official [State Dance of California](#). She was also the founder of the Golden State Dance Teachers Association and a co-founder of the World Swing Dance Council.

Blair danced in the 1975 film [Queen of the Stardust Ballroom](#).

In 1994, she was inducted into the National Swing Dance Hall of Fame. Her students include US Open champions Jordan Frisbee and Tatiana Mollmann.

Blair created the Universal Unit System, a complete system of dance notation that allows dancers to "read" a dance much like musicians read music.

Wikipedia

GLSDC CALENDAR

June 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Angela's Dance 7pm lesson – Hustle 7:30-9:30pm dance	2 TGIF Dance Party-Hawk Hollow 7:15pm lesson 8-12am Dance Sandford Shuffle 7pm lesson- Salsa w/ Carla 8-9:30pm Dance	3 Come Dance w/ Us 7-11pm 7:30pm lesson- Country 2 Step w/ Becky Larson & Tim Johnson 8:30 Dance Party
4	5	6	7 GLSDC 6pm lesson- Salsa w/ Angela Dance 7-10pm DJ – Dave	8 Angela's Dance 7pm lesson – Hustle 7:30-9:30pm dance	9 TGIF Dance Party-Hawk Hollow 7:15pm lesson 8-12am Dance Sandford Shuffle 7pm lesson-Salsa w/ Carla 8-9:30pm Dance	10 Come Dance w/ Us Swing&Hustle 8:30-11pm 5:30-7pm FREE WCS beginner bootcamp w/ Chris & Melissa, 7:30-8:30pm Intm. WCS w/ Becky & Tim, 7:30-8:30 beg. Hustle w/ Steve & Robin 8:30 Dance Party
11	12 GLSDC Board meeting 6pm @ Ernie Callard's home Swartz Creek	13	14 GLSDC 6pm lesson- Salsa w/ Angela Dance 7-10pm DJ - Angela Birthday Night	15 Angela's Dance 7pm lesson – Hustle 7:30-9:30pm dance	16 TGIF Dance Party-Eagle Eye 7:15pm lesson 8-12am Dance Sandford Shuffle 7pm lesson-Salsa w/ Carla 8-9:30pm Dance	17 Come Dance w/ Us 7-11pm 7:30 lesson-Waltz w/ Donald Westphal 8:30 Dance Party ***6pm Progressive Viennese Waltz w/ Donald \$10
18	19	20	21 GLSDC 6pm lesson- Salsa w/ Angela Dance 7-10pm DJ – Dave Shirt Night	22 Angela's Dance 7pm lesson – Hustle 7:30-9:30pm dance	23 TGIF Dance Party-Hawk Hollow 7:15pm lesson 8-12am Dance Sandford Shuffle 7pm lesson-Salsa w/ Carla 8-9:30pm Dance	24
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Suspended for the Summer

Colette's Beginner Dance Class

cost \$10

Linden VFW Hall, #1 Mill St., Linden

Colette Simerson 810-618-5959

GLSDC Wednesday Dance

RollHaven – Grand Blanc

5315 S Saginaw St.

Flint, MI 48507

Angela's Lesson & Dance

The Sports Zone, Cost \$12

5690 Midland Rd., Freeland

Angela Markle 989-274-4709

Come Dance with Us

Fred Astaire Bloomfield

7-11pm Cost \$15

Robin & Steve Plawinski

810-348-6379

Suspended for the Summer

Colette's Beginner Dance Class

Howell Opera House, cost \$10

123 Grand River, Howell

Colette Simerson 810-618-5959

TGIF Dance Party

Light Buffet, Cash Bar, Cost \$20

Hawk Hollow Banquet Center

15101 Chandler Rd, Bath / Eagle

Eye Golf & Banquet Center,

15500 Chandler Rd. Bath

Claudia Bleil 517-749-1300

Sandford Shuffle Dance

The Studio Cost \$10

328 W. Saginaw Rd. Sandford, MI

Lon Wackerle 989-430-0026 or

Debbie Bacus 989-687-7413

Every attempt has been made to ensure the calendar information is accurate - but please check with the event host to confirm dates, fees, lessons, location, etc. before attending event.

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2023 Out-of-Town Dance Events

Jammin' in July

Columbus, OH
July 13-16th

Sparkle City Celebration

R&B Shag Club of Spartanburg
Spartanburg, SC
July 21-22nd

Shag Tracks XXIX

Choo Choo Shag Club
Chattanooga, TN
August 16-19th

30th Anniversary Beach Boogie

Tampa Bay Beach Boppers
St. Petersburg Beach, FL
August 24-26th

Rollin' on the River

West County Swing Dance Club
St. Louis, MO
August 31-September 4th

Boogie in the Blue Grass

Derby City Bop Club
Louisville, KY
October 19-21st

Swing Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, PA
October 26-28th

June Birthdays

Name	Birthday
Sue Rotay	1-Jun
Christopher Morgan	4-Jun
Mary Ann Gonzales	7-Jun
Jim Luisier	10-Jun
Jim Moore	10-Jun
Joyce Matousek	11-Jun
Kay Bigelow	13-Jun
Erika Butler	13-Jun
Alan Lamb	13-Jun
Joslynn Ridley	20-Jun
Zdenka Leonard	21-Jun
Mary Benjamin	22-Jun
Thomas Sunday	22-Jun
Rita Sanford	26-Jun
Linda Corkins	28-Jun
John Corkins	30-Jun
Kelly Nigrine	30-Jun



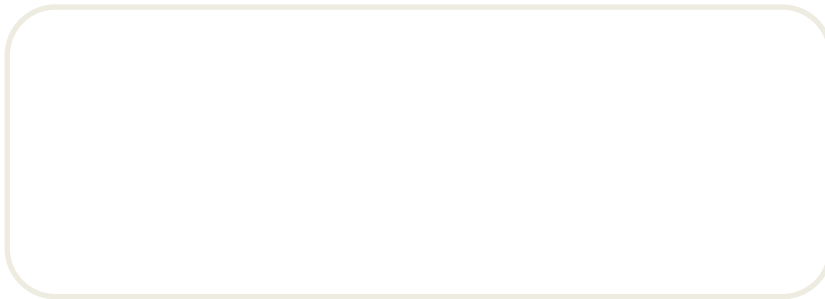
3" Patch available at the front desk.
Great for your shoe bag or jacket! Cost: \$5.00



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Shirts, hoodies, mugs and much more are now available with the *GLSDC* logo at the club CafePress shop.

www.CafePress.com/glsdc



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