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GREAT LAKES SWING DANCE NEWS

Message from our President

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Greetings,

Our Hawaiian-themed Swing into Spring Dance held at St. John's in Davison was attended by over half the club's membership. It was an unseasonably warm night to celebrate with our members. We had pizza, salad, fruit and yummy desserts while Henry spun the tunes. Ed Warren was presented with a gratitude plaque for all his years of dedication to the club. He was given a lifetime membership too. Tonya Gerow and her decoration crew made the venue feel like a tropical paradise. Thank you to all who helped set-up and tear-down.

Country Night will be here soon. Get your country gear ready for our May 10^{th} celebration at RollHaven. You may also bring snacks and/or desserts that night, although it is optional.

I'd like to welcome all our new members and I'm glad to see so many of our snowbirds returning to dance with us on Wednesday night.

Anyone interested in taking a CPR class? One will be held on May 6^{th} at Cooper CPR LLC ~ 5422 S. Saginaw, Flint, MI 48507 ~ phone: 810 964 1320 ~ cost: \$45.00. If you can't attend this one, there is one the first week of every month.

A reminder to everyone, please exit the dance floor before you start to talk to someone. The dance floor is just for dancing. Also, please park within the lines in the parking lot. Attendance is high, we need to make room for everyone. Thank you!

May's lesson for the first week is popular line dances taught by Andrea Venner and Country Two-Step for the rest of the month, taught by Claudia Bleil. The DJ's line up: Angela, Dave, Dave, Angela and Laurel.

See you on the dance floor,

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			
Мау	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						
Western Night	May 10 th	RollHaven				
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 $^{ m st}$, $8^{ m th}$.15 $^{ m th}$ & 22 $^{ m nd}$	RollHaven				
West Coasting for Warmth	December 6 th	RollHaven				
New Year's Eve Dance	December 31th	St. John's - Fenton				



Fun Swing Dance Moves ~ by Jolee Sullivan

Hammerlock: The hammerlock comes from doing turns with your partner. Rather than holding one hand while your partner turns around, you will both hold both of each other's hands. This way, once one partner turns, you're in a sort of, well, hammerlock, wherein one hand will be held down and the other hand will be raised above your partner's head as the turn. Once the turn is completed, the lower hand will be behind your partner's back.

Cuddle: The cuddle is kind of exactly what it sounds like. In this move, you and your partner will do the beginning of a hammerlock, but in the end, your partner will be in front of you, facing the same direction as you, while your hands are held in front of your partner's body.

Lean: While in the cuddle, you would typically simply reverse the move so that your partner turns out of the cuddle back into facing you. For a lean, you (as the leader) would instead turn your body to open up to allow your partner to continue their turn all of the way until you are both only holding hands with your inside hands, and your outer hands are free and you are both facing forward. Then, your partner would simply lean against you, so that your sides are touching.

Jumpin' Joe: The Jumpin' Joe move is great for upbeat tempos and lively dances. It's very simple, and works best when the leader is shorter in height than the follower. In the move, leaders will spin their partners and then bring their arm over their head while jumping in the air.

Tunnel: For those of you who want to learn how to swing dance and how to incorporate some intricate, impressive moves, the tunnel is for you. This will take some practice with a partner, so be patient! The tunnel is a move that involves several inward twists while you and your partner are holding hands, so that it sort of looks like one partner is going through a "tunnel," which refers to the other partner's arms.

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GLSDC CALENDAR					May 2023	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Colette's Beginner Dance lesson class 6:30-8pm	Colette's Beginner Dance lesson class 6:30-8pm	3 GLSDC 6pm lesson-line dances w/ Andrea Dance 7-10pm DJ - Angela	4 Angela's Dance 7pm lesson – Waltz 7:30-9:30pm dance	5 TGIF Dance Party-Hawk Hollow 7:15pm lesson 8-12am Dance Sandford Shuffle 7pm lesson-Tango w/ Carla 8-9:30pm Dance	6 Come Dance w/ Us 7-11pm 7:30pm lesson- West Coast Swing w/ Chris & Melissa Moy 8:30 Dance Party
7	8 Colette's Beginner Dance lesson class 6:30-8pm	9 Colette's Beginner Dance lesson class 6:30-8pm	10 GLSDC 6pm lesson- Country two-step w/ Claudia Dance 7-10pm DJ – Dave Birthday Night	11 Angela's Dance 7pm lesson – Waltz 7:30-9:30pm dance	NO DANCE Sandford Shuffle 7pm lesson-Tango w/ Carla 8-9:30pm Dance	13
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28	No Class	No Class	31 GLSDC 6pm lesson- Country two-step w/ Claudia Dance 7-10pm DJ - Laurel			

Colette's Beginner Dance Class cost \$10 Linden VFW Hall, #1 Mill St., Linden

Colette Simerson 810-618-5959

Colette's Beginner Dance Class Howell Opera House, cost \$10 123 Grand River, Howell Colette Simerson 810-618-5959 **GLSDC Wednesday Dance**

RollHaven – Grand Blanc 5315 S Saginaw St. Flint, MI 48507

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

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

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

Bourbon City Boogie

Derby City Bop Club Louisville, KY May 25-27th

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

May Birthdays				
Name	Birthday			
Noreen Glaspie	19-May			
Sally Reynolds	23-May			
Atsuko Murphy	25-May			
Brooke Murphy	26-May			
Debbie Bacus	27-May			
Al Johnston	29-May			
Alice Bowers	зо-Мау			
Leah Gatica	31-May			





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