

Street Swing Partner Dance

Intro to Street Swing
together and apart, 'round and 'round, and away we go

The Play Circle – Why (Purpose), What (Principles), How (Practice)*
Connecting dance and daily life, swing and the street.

Why Purpose

Engage life as play.

Play is defined as **imaginative interaction**.

Play is an attitude rather than an activity.

Emphasize process over performance.

What Principles

Swing In the midst of life filled with multiple options, discover **connections**.

For dance, **incorporate** different styles.

Street In the midst of life defined by change increasing exponentially, look beyond technical solutions to **adaptive** solutions.

For dance, employ **improvisation**.

Partner In the midst of life characterized by changing roles, recognize **interdependence** and influence the interaction.

For dance, engage in greater **mutuality**.

Dance In the midst of life bombarded with competing messages, tune into the rhythms of life and **interpret** accordingly.

For dance, let the music **guide** you on what to do.

How Practice

Arthur Murray meets Contra Folk in the Google Age.

Arthur Murray – Stride and glide through life centered and collected.

Contra Folk – Embrace natural rhythms of life.

Yin and Yang

Circle of existence

Life as a journey

Google Age – Intuitive

Live your life with imagination and improvisation.

Recapture the spirit of Jazz Dance in the Ragtime Era for the Google Age.

*Adaptation of [Simon Sinek - The Golden Circle - TedTalks 2009 - YouTube](#)

Prose Poetry 1

Make Their Day

make their day!

If I can

make their day

with a playful dance,

then it will have

made my day

dancing playfully.

[The FISH! Philosophy Story - FISH! Philosophy Training](#)

[The Four Practices of The FISH! Philosophy](#)

[Be There](#)

Be emotionally present for people. It's a powerful message of respect that improves communication and strengthens relationships.

[Play](#)

Tap into your natural way of being creative, enthusiastic and having fun. Play is the spirit that drives the curious mind, as in "Let's play with that idea!" You can bring this mindset to everything you do.

[Make Their Day](#)

Find simple ways to serve or delight people in a meaningful, memorable way. It's about contributing to someone else's life—not because you want something, but because that's the person you want to be.

[Choose Your Attitude](#)

Take responsibility for how you respond to what life throws at you. Your choice affects others. Ask yourself: "Is my attitude helping my team or my customers? Is it helping me to be the person I want to be?"

<https://www.fishphilosophy.com/fish-philosophy-story/>

[Images for The FISH! Philosophy Story - FISH Philosophy Training](#)

FISH! Philosophy: FISH! For Leaders: Make Their Day

The best leaders know that people need more than salaries and benefits to excel. They also need to feel valued. One of the best ways for leaders to make someone's day—or month, or year, or life—is to show them how much you appreciate them. The simplest gestures, such as thanking people, recognizing their efforts and giving them a voice, fulfill emotional needs that are too often ignored on the job.

<http://www.charthouse.com/productdetail.aspx?nodeid=26467>

[Images for FISH! Philosophy: FISH! For Leaders: Make Their Day](#)

[Images for make their day quotes](#)

good time

"He's here,"

she said.

"We can have

a good time now!"

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[Images for Pines Ballroom and Bar - Bloomer, WI](#)

[The Leon Olsen Show - Home | Facebook](#)

Old Time, Polka, Waltz, Country

<https://www.facebook.com/The-Leon-Olsen-Show-436876409808552/>

[Images for Leon Olsen Show](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TKGUzho74Jk> 40th Annual Ellsworth Wisconsin Polka Fest - Leon Olsen Show - YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L23NtIIei6Y> LEON OLSEN SHOW - Polka Festival Ellsworth Wisconsin – YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ZxpQtqfw-w> Leon Olsen Show - Illinois Waltz - Annual Ellsworth Wisconsin Polka Fest!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mwDgpaRGWys> Leon Olsen Show - Ellsworth Polka Festival – YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DJYPFZFrHsc> "Heee-yah!!!!" - LEON OLSEN Show - from New Ulm Minnesota

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NIK3iaq0saY> Guido Polka - Leon Olsen Show – YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9BRbZ5cv66E> Leon Olsen Show - Oklahoma Waltz – YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VXemhu4OeQA> The Leon Olsen Show - You And Me – YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8UwJ_Q1Kk84 Leon Olsen Show - Schnapps Polka – YouTube

[Images for Leon Olsen Show at Ellsworth Polka Fest - YouTube](#)

keep 'em laughin'

A woman sitting at the other end
of a picnic table at a grad reception

said to me just as I sat down,

"You're the dancer.

I remember you from Ellsworth.

You were hilarious.

We were laughing so hard

one woman almost fell

off the bench."

[Ellsworth Polkafest - Facebook](#)

<https://www.facebook.com/events/ellsworth-wisconsin/ellsworth-polkafest/545189485515686/>

[Images for Ellsworth Wisconsin Polka Fest](#)



dance quote

You dance love, and you dance joy, and you dance dreams. And I know if I can make you smile by jumping over a couple of couches or running through a rainstorm, then I'll be very glad to be a song and dance man.

Gene Kelly Quotes (Author of *Get on the Couch*) - Goodreads

<http://www.goodreads.com/quotes/561439-you-dance-love-and-you-dance-joy-and-you-dance>

[Images for You dance love, and you dance joy, and you dance dreams.](#)

[Singing In The Rain \(1952\) | Singing And Dancing Scene - YouTube](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hbpzfXo5NcA>

[Images for Singing In The Rain \(1952\) | Singing And Dancing Scene - YouTube](#)

sound of music

A young woman started giggling almost from the start of our dance, and when we went 'round and 'round, she said, "I feel like Maria Von Trapp."

[Maria von Trapp - Wikipedia](#)

Maria Augusta von Trapp (née Kutschera; 26 January 1905 – 28 March 1987), was the stepmother and [matriarch](#) of the Trapp Family Singers.^{[2][3]} Her story served as the inspiration for [a 1956 German film](#) that in turn inspired the Broadway musical [The Sound of Music](#) (1959)^[4] and subsequently the 1965 film, [The Sound of Music](#).

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Maria_von_Trapp

[Images for maria von trapp](#)



[Famous Dave's Music Events | Live Blues Music | Blues Club](#)

http://www.famousdavesbluesclub.com/music_events.html

[Images for Famous Dave's Music Events | Live Blues Music | Blues Club](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bour6NzvnNU> Famous Daves - YouTube

[Home • Twin Cities Hot Club - Jazz Band - Minneapolis, Minnesota](#)

The Twin Cities Hot Club represents Minnesota in the burgeoning revival of gypsy jazz originally popularized by Django Reinhardt and Stephane Grappelli.

<http://twincitieshotclub.com/home>

<https://www.facebook.com/TwinCitiesHotClub/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-jUt8llcrE> Twin Cities Hot Club performing My Blue Heaven at Famous Dave's BBQ and Blues Clue - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vn-xE2xmZ24> Twin Cities Hot Club – I Can't Give You Anything But Love - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VJZl6d-Ohkk> Twin Cities Hot Club – Sweet Georgia Brown - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=35hsgG4vzec> Twin Cities Hot Club with guest Maud Hixson – Chez Moi - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Biej90VYHI> Twin Cities Hot Club live performance on NBC Dare11 – YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gQXOjUceznU> Parisota Hot Club "Swing 42" - YouTube

[Images for Twin Cities Hot Club - YouTube](#)

<https://www.bellrobert.com/video/twin-cities-hot-club-mwlf-inv-jandi/>

<http://www.jazz88.fm/2019/03/26/live-from-studio-1-twin-cities-hot-club/>

<http://www.redstagsupperclub.com/events/twin-cities-hot-club>

*If you have the power to make someone happy, do it.
The world needs more of that.*

try this

She had just turned 50

and wanted to dance.

She signed up for lessons

offered in a school cafeteria.
I volunteered to be her partner.
She grew impatient
with the slow-slow-quick-quick.
The harder she tried,
the more frustrated she became.
When the instructors
introduced the cuddle,
I brought her to my side
and felt the heat of her body.
She told me how she thought
she should stick with x-country skiing
and forget about dancing.
During the practice time
after the third or fourth lesson,
I asked her if she would be open
to a partner freestyle dance.
She consented.
We came together and went apart,
came together and went apart,
followed by a turn this way
and a turn that way.
Within thirty seconds,
she was flowing and glowing.

Please help a frustrated beginner! (don't understand the music, feel like I'm doing movements rather than dancing)

The problem is, I still don't feel like I 'get' it. It just doesn't feel like I'm dancing. It feels like I'm trying to do some movements - and I start feeling awkward halfway through a song because I keep repeating the same 'movements'.

https://www.reddit.com/r/Salsa/comments/6htvss/please_help_a_frustrated_beginner_dont_understand/Images_for_frustrated_beginner_learning_to_dance

play quote

Relax. Refresh. Renew. Play. Sing. Laugh. Enjoy. Forgive. Dance. Love. Hug. Share. Kiss. Create. Explore. Hope. Listen. Dare. Trust. Dream. Learn. TODAY!

Quote by Steve Maraboli

Steve Maraboli, *Unapologetically You: Reflections on Life and the Human Experience*

<http://www.goodreads.com/quotes/765558-relax-refresh-renew-play-sing-laugh-enjoy-forgive-dance-love>

[Images for Relax. Refresh. Renew. Play. Sing. Laugh. Enjoy. Forgive. Dance. Love.](#)

invite

"Hey there twinkle toes," she said,
"When you have a free one,
I'd like to dance with you."
Having nothing else lined up,
I asked, "How about now?"
For the next two numbers,
she shook and shimmed.

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http://www.famousdavesbluesclub.com/music_events.html

[Images for Famous Dave's Music Events | Live Blues Music | Blues Club](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bour6NzvnNU> Famous Daves - YouTube

Riverside Ent. | Riverside Swing Band

Get ready to party. This vintage swing band is heating things up, performing at weddings, festivals, car shows, and sock hops all over the Midwest. Trumpet, saxophone, trombone, guitar, upright bass, drums, and 4 vocals make these cats unforgettable. Check our calendar for monthly swing dances and Lee's and Famous Dave's Blues Club.

<https://www.riversideentertainmentmn.com/riverside-swing-band>

[Images for Riverside Ent. | Riverside Swing Band](#)

<https://www.facebook.com/riversideswingband/>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l5N0uFzC_HM Riverside Swing Band - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ijUlsDTbU9w> Heidi Halvorson and the Riverside Swing Band "Is You Is Or Is You Ain't @ Lee's Liquor Lounge - YouTube



expression quote

Inside of all of us there is the need and the desire to be heard, to have our innermost thoughts, feelings and desires expressed for others to hear, to see and to understand. We all want to matter to someone, to leave a mark. Writers just take those thoughts, feelings and desires and express them in such a way that the reader not only reads them but feels them as well.

— Vicktor Alexander

[Quotes about Expression \(196 quotes\) - Goodreads](https://www.goodreads.com/quotes/tag/expression)

<https://www.goodreads.com/quotes/tag/expression>

[Images for Inside of all of us there is the need and the desire to be heard](#)

sweet

First, she whimpered, saying,

“I can't dance.”

Later, she giggled, saying,

“Oh, my goodness!”

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KEEP CALM and SWING DANCE

tongue in cheek

She seemed the most interested
of her group of women. In fact,
she came over to tell me
she was new to dance, but
willing to learn.

I held her tightly to my side and
traveled with her
around the floor
playing with the lyrics.

Two other women,
regulars to the place,
started giggling at their table
next to the dance floor.

We danced over to their table,
by a circuitous route, and
I gently admonished them,
“This woman is new to dance, and
we don't want her to feel self-conscious.”

Needless to say,
they didn't take me very seriously and
only continued with their own form of
mirth and merriment.

I concluded that
they must be laughing
with us and not at us, and
we continued doing what
we had been doing.

[Sammy's Lovers Stories | Sammy's Pizza](#)
Sammy's Pizza and Restaurant

What's Your Sammy's Story?

<http://mysammys.com/sammys-stories/>

[Images for Sammy's Lovers Stories | Sammy's Pizza images](#)

40 Fingers: HOME

<https://40fingersband.com/>

<https://40fingersband.com/sample-songlist>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3D9qOD5kjGk> 40 Fingers - Roll Over Beethoven - YouTube

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_2T89sfNOWA 40 FINGERS - When Will I Be Loved - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bZkc2gMIGVY> 40 FINGERS, China Grove - YouTube

<https://starspiritadventures.com/2017/06/16/check-out-the-40-fingers-band-of-eau-claire-wisconsin/>

laughter quote

I would put belly laughing at the top of my highlights list. They always say that laughter is the best medicine.

[Carol Vorderman Quotes - BrainyQuote](#)

http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/c/carol_vorderman.html

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playing to the crowd

She danced with me to Dale Watson and asked me when and where I danced.

I said Monday nights when I could at the same place among others.

Two weeks later I asked her for a dance during the break and made the most of an open floor. At one end, two female onlookers started to giggle while watching us - not that she seemed to mind.

[Lee's Liquor Lounge](#)

<http://www.leesliquorlounge.com/>

[Images for Lee's Liquor Lounge](#)

[Dan Lund - Becky Thompson and Old School](#)

Dan Lund & Buffaloaf - rockabilly, classic country, '50s rock 'n' roll

<http://www.beckythompsonandoldschool.com/danbio.html>

[Images for Dan Lund - Becky Thompson and Old School](#)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pfCCzk8-cok> jackson2 – YouTube. Dan Lund & Buffaloaf at Lee's Liquor Lounge, Minneapolis MN 11/12/12.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DxEBWC7Jy5q> Guitar Boogie Shuffle – YouTube. Brandon Petron sitting in with Dan Lund's guitar and Buffaloaf at Lee's Liquor Lounge 2012.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xKqXXw-p9qs> Rock This Town – YouTube. Brandon Petron sitting in with Dan Lund's guitar and Buffaloaf at Lee's Liquor Lounge. Minneapolis. 2012.



silly quote

The best things in life are silly.

[Scott Adams Quotes - BrainyQuote](#)

<http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/s/scottadams380627.html>

[Images for best things in life are silly.](#)



reassurance

Ryan Herman and Karl Hartwich started out the afternoon with three swing numbers

Cab Driver

Sioux City Sue

Chattanooga Shoe Shine Boy.

"I can behave myself," I reassured the woman I had asked to dance the first set.

"Well, just as long as you don't do

all that fancy footwork," she exclaimed.

"But I do enjoy watching you," she added.

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[Images for Pines Ballroom and Bar - Bloomer, WI](#)

Dance Schedule - The Rhythm Playboys

Ryan Herman Schedule

<https://www.rhythmplayboys.com/Dance-Schedule.html>

[Images for Dance Schedule - The Rhythm Playboys Ryan Herman Schedule](#)

Karl Hartwich and The Country Dutchmen - QTH.com

KARL HARTWICH and The COUNTRY DUTCHMEN – Old Time Variety

<http://rhs.qth.com/brueggenband/karlhh.htm>

[Images for Karl Hartwich and The Country Dutchmen](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AM8-gV1O9ZY> Karl & The Country Dutchmen – YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fhXUof-zvpM> Crazy-Karl Hartwich & the Country Dutchmen – YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mhZxa8S5YDU> Karl and the Country Dutchmen: Chicken Polka - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g7G3ePbjf8w> Karl 's Country Dutchmen perform at Humboldt Iowa "Midwest Polka Fest"

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lvJdOrk0ufQ> St. Louie Polka - Karl's Country Dutchmen - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ogAL16y30L0> Karl & The Country Dutchmen "The Dizzy Chap Polka" - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uh0HTrmZKAs> Potter's Polka by Karl & The Country Dutchmen - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6h1yXrNgDAA> Because Your Blue Eye's Blink Polka - Karl's Country Dutchmen - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PyUwwaZjRvA> Karl & The Country Dutchmen plays St Louis Polka - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GTPjRz9gbfo> Karl and the Country Dutchmen - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BC3nkC2y3ll> Karl & The Country Dutchmen plays The Anniversity Polka – YouTube

[Images for Karl and the Country Dutchmen - YouTube](#)

The Mills Brothers Cab Driver 1981 - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bKT6qDMAky0>

[Images for Mills Brothers Cab Driver 1981 - YouTube](#)

Sioux City Sue - Gene Autry - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q1n61-e9qnY>

[Images for Sioux City Sue - Gene Autry - YouTube](#)

Red Foley Chattanooga Shoe Shine Boy - YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0aCqSWf0Z6Y>

[Images for Red Foley Chattanooga Shoe Shine Boy - YouTube](#)

puppet

"I remember your shenanigans at East Bay," she said.

"You've got a long memory," I replied,

"That was many years ago."

"I like your strong hold," she added.

I interpreted these statements as permission to pick up the tempo and twirl her around.

"I feel like a puppet with my feet coming up off the floor," she responded.

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[East Bay Restaurant & Dam Bar - Holcombe, Wisconsin - Facebook](#)

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/East-Bay-Restaurant-Dam-Bar/688060238263645>

[Images for East Bay Restaurant & Dam Bar - Holcombe, Wisconsin](#)

[Do you ever feel like a puppet on a string? - Yahoo Answers](#)

Best Answer: Every now and then....!!

<https://answers.yahoo.com/question/index?qid=20110926075553AAaQJ8a>

[Images for feel like a puppet on a string](#)



go for it

Her friend asked on her behalf if I would dance with her.

I danced a polka to the Orange Blossom Special.

She hung on tight and provided a strong frame as we executed the turns.

I observed her do a horse and buggy schottische while I was doing the circle schottische and asked her how she learned it

while dancing a waltz with her.

She said the teacher taught the dance on Friday afternoons as a reward for good behavior.

She must have liked the dances and the conversation with me, for at the end of the afternoon she said, "You made my day."

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Johnny Cash - "Orange Blossom Special" - YouTube

The fiddle tune "Orange Blossom Special", about the passenger train of the same name, was written by Ervin T. Rouse (1917-1981) in 1938. The original recording was created by Ervin and Gordon Rouse in 1939. It is considered the best known fiddle tune of the twentieth century and is often called simply The Special. It has been referred to as "the fiddle player's national anthem".

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n4-uoUpN1c4>
[Images for Johnny Cash - "Orange Blossom Special" - YouTube](#)

UMD Teaching of, Schottische horse and buggy - YouTube

The Physical Education Department at the University of Minnesota Duluth Teaching of Dance class Elementary Dances

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Oby92TVoAe4>
[Images for Horse & Buggy Schottische - YouTube](#)

cutting loose

She urged me to do some of the moves
she remembered from before
when in her late 60s.
Instead, I used some moves
I thought would be new to her
now 80 years of age.
She started to giggle
and at the end,
she said, "Love it."

Concordia Ballroom | La Crosse, WI Banquet Hall and Reception Facility

<https://www.concordiaballroom.com/>
[Images for Concordia Ballroom | La Crosse, WI Banquet Hall and Reception Facility](#)

Barefoot Becky

German-style polka, Czech music, country, big band

<http://www.barefootbecky.com/>
[Images for barefoot becky](#)
<https://www.pbs.org/video/barefoot-becky-the-ivanhoe-dutchmen-vttdb/>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1ZJ5dMCiJmQ> Barefoot Becky & The Ivanhoe Dutchmen – YouTube
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qI_Ea7cYnHY Barefoot Becky & the Ivanhoe Dutchmen-Humboldt, Iowa – YouTube
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YVXT7kyMS0c> Barefoot Becky & Ivanhoe Dutchmen-Humboldt 2016 – YouTube
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kQ7JvVsCF_Y Why Polka-Barefoot Becky & the Ivanhoe Dutchmen – YouTube
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N-P_ycfWfBk In The Mood-Barefoot Becky & The Ivanhoe Dutchmen - YouTube
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Du3aHrRZlqc> Barefoot Becky plays Red Raven Polka 1-22-2012 Golden CO – YouTube
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P93uSCh51w> Barefoot Becky plays Out Behind the Barn at Polka Lover's Club Golden CO 1-20-2013 - YouTube
[Images for barefoot becky youtube](#)

compliment

She didn't wait for men to ask her.
She asked the men, so
I had to wait my turn to ask her.
I shared with her my understanding
that during the Jazz Age
dancers danced a one step
and made up their own moves.
Pretty soon she was laughing
in addition to dancing
as the Southside Aces
played traditional New Orleans
dance hall jazz music.
At the end, she said,
"You're a playful lead."

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http://www.famousdavesbluesclub.com/music_events.html

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bour6NzvnNU> Famous Daves - YouTube

Southside Aces - About

Southside Aces – Traditional New Orleans Jazz

<http://www.southsideaces.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/southsideaces/>

<https://www.dakotacooks.com/event/southside-aces/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EEIfNkUKyx0> Southside Aces Promo Video – YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7LEnFZJ0z5Q> Southside Aces with Charlie DeVore Tiger Rag at Famous Daves BBQ and Blues Mardi Gras 2012 – YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=902bmLFv1rU> Southside Aces at the Minneapolis Eagles Club - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ugvJyZGhml8> Shannon and Bill Butler performing Collegiate Shag to The Southside Aces @ The Ritz Theatre – YouTube

[Images for Southside Aces](#)



giving credit

As she left for the night after the first set,
she thanked me for the dances.
She also briefly related how
a band member complimented her
on her dancing to which she corrected him,
"I don't know how to dance."
He was holding me and even counting."

[Gasthof zur Gemutlichkeit / Marios Keller Bar - Minneapolis, MN](#)

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Gasthof-zur-Gemutlichkeit-Marios-Keller-Bar/114350028642865>

<http://mspmag.com/locations/Mario-s-Keller-Bar-at-Gasthof/>

<http://www.citypages.com/location/marios-keller-bar-6667318>

[Images for Gasthof zur Gemutlichkeit / Marios Keller Bar – Minneapolis, MN](#)

Bill Koncar

The Bill Koncar Band plays a variety of music including polkas, waltzes, fox trots, swing, Latin rhythms, (including rhumbas, cha chas, tangos & sambas), and class rock & pop tunes.

<http://www.billkoncar.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/BillKoncarBand>

[Images for BillKoncarBand](#)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RL30lzmq46I> Beautiful Accordion Music...!! - RoseAnn Polka!! - The Bill Koncar Band

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qrvr_p4WR-0 Lichtensteiner Polka - Bill Koncar - Kaiserlich Bomischen - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9QdCyheE57k> Blue Skirt Waltz - Beautiful Accordion Music!! - Bill Koncar Band!!!

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gd32dNI_FVc My Darling Ann Waltz - Bill Koncar - Accordion Musik - YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-fJC81eBHyE> Just Because Polka - Bill Koncar - Karaoke (Sing along!!) - YouTube

woman from milwaukee

She came from across the state
to visit a friend who invited her to the dance.
"I'm new here, and I didn't think
anybody would ask me to dance," she said.
I discovered she liked to swing dance
when she went south for the winters, so
I twirled her around. When she said
she liked that, I asked her if she would like
an up-tempo swing, which she agreed to.
"Boy, you are good!" she said.

"It's not often I get to dance
with a woman from Milwaukee, and
I have to make the most of it," I replied.
She ate her chicken dinner
during the break, and
then came over to me and said,
"We're going to have to go before
the band starts again, but
I want to thank you
a hundred thousand times
for those dances!"

[Osseo Palladium dance and event hall - Home | Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/OsseoPalladium/)
<https://www.facebook.com/OsseoPalladium/>
[Images for Osseo Palladium dance and event hall](#)

The Rhythm Playboys - Home

The Rhythm Playboys – old time variety, western swing
"Celebrating Over 50 Years of Entertaining"

<http://www.rhythmplayboys.com/>
[Images for Rhythm Playboys](#)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RuoiPeGMBmc> Rhythm Playboys.Osseo,Wis - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9WYDZN23XYg> Rhythm Playboys – YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KT-h4qSTbq4> Rhythm Playboys - YouTube

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3J_lpNpPV_c The Rhythm Playboys Band. – YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uiDq2-3tkSs> Ellsworth WI Polkafest July 13 2008 Rhythm Playboys Band – YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QrnA-blRtO0> Rhythm Playboys at Ellsworth WI Polkafest July 2008 #4 - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AUJWspH2fOI> Rhythm Playboys at Ellsworth WI PF July 08 #6 - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pCDun345B5U> Rhythm Playboys at Ellsworth WI Polkafest July 08 #7 - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9HlUOeO4d24> Ellsworth WI Polkafest Act 2 Rhythm Playboys July 13 2008 - YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6FHRkIOHB34&feature=youtu.be> black mountain rag – YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PnCZz8GsSo8> From the Southwest Polka Party to Laughlin Nevada – YouTube

[Images for Rhythm Playboys - YouTube](#)

nice of you

A number of
unattached older
women sat at a table.
One by one,
I asked them to dance.
"Sure is nice of you
to dance with
all of us ladies,"
one of them said.

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are we having fun yet?

She got out of her car
about the same time as me, and
we ended up walking in together.
She asked, "Are you here
for the free dance lesson
with the Meet Up group?"
I asked, "What's that?"
She explained, "It's a
Get Out and Get Socializing
event. You should join."
She looked at her feet
when it was her turn
to dance with me in the lesson
and during the dance
until I pointed my finger
to my forehead to invite her
to look at me instead of her feet.
She caught on to the forward and back,
as well as circle round and round.

Between songs she said,
"This is so much fun!"
At the end of the night
I thanked her for coming.
She replied, "I had so much fun!"

[Lee's Liquor Lounge](#)
<http://www.leesliquorlounge.com/>
[Images for Lee's Liquor Lounge](#)

[The Bad Companions - Home | Facebook](#)

The Bad Companions – rockabilly, '50s and swing
<https://www.facebook.com/The-Bad-Companions-290538937645193/>
[Images for The Bad Companions – rockabilly, '50s and swing band](#)
<https://www.facebook.com/events/127759431190835/> The Bad Companions & Jenny Russ at Famous Dave's – Facebook
<http://www.thebadcompanions.com/>
<http://www.prx.org/pieces/90230-centerstage-minnesota-with-charlie-pulkrabek-year>

open floor

The band took their break, and
the line dances hadn't started, so
I asked a woman with a red bow
in her hair, a white blouse,
a black and white poodle skirt,
and a Hispanic accent
to dance. She admitted,
"I watched you dance and didn't
know if I could dance like that."
After the two numbers, I said,
"I really like how smooth you dance!"

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<http://www.leesliquorlounge.com/>
[Images for Lee's Liquor Lounge](#)



conditions right

The whole afternoon I danced slowly
in deference to older dancers,
but for the last medley of songs,
three conditions came together -
energetic music
an open floor and
a willing partner.
As we moved quickly around the floor
her eyes got bigger and bigger, and
at the end she uttered, "Wooow!"

[Allison's Steakhouse - Abbotsford Wisconsin - Club | Facebook](#)
The Hayes Boys will be here Sunday Nov 3rd!! Polka! Polka! Polka!
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Allisons-Steakhouse/318034644911>
[Images for Allison's Steakhouse - Abbotsford Wisconsin](#)

make 'em happy

A man wearing a
Native Pride hat

came up to me
during the first break
and said,
"I like watching
you dance.
You make
me happy!"

[Black Bear Casino Resort Cobalt Nightclub & Cabaret](#)
February 12-13 [Fatt Chance](#) Variety
<http://www.blackbearcasinoresort.com/november.html>
[Images for Black Bear Casino Resort Cobalt Nightclub & Cabaret](#)

forty

A woman came over to my table
to ask if she could dance with me.
I told her to come out onto the floor
whenever she wanted to.
She told me she wanted to dance
in the worst way since
she had not danced for 40 years.
She raised her kids and then
had grandkids, and now
she danced in her apartment.
Early on she gushed,
"I'm having a blast."
At the end she thanked me and said,
"You're a real gentleman."

[Black Bear Casino Resort Cobalt Nightclub & Cabaret](#)
March 20 [Forty Below](#) Variety
<http://www.blackbearcasinoresort.com/november.html>
[Images for Black Bear Casino Resort Cobalt Nightclub & Cabaret](#)

got her to smile

The month before
she asked me to do a cha-cha.
When I balked at Latin dancing,
she asked me to do a rumba.
I said, "I can fake it."
She said she danced ballroom
but was willing to try country.
A month later,
I asked her to do a two-step.
When I went 'round and 'round
in a hip to hip closed ballroom position
with left hands free, her reserve broke.
As she left a few songs after the break,
I said, "Thanks for the dance. You made my day."
She replied, "You made my day."

[Minneapolis Eagles #34](#)
Eagles #34 Minneapolis, MN – live music
<http://www.minneapolis eagles34.org/live%20music.html>
[Images for Minneapolis Eagles #34](#)

[Buffaloaf Official - Home | Facebook](#)
Classic Country
<https://www.facebook.com/Buffaloaf-Official-298818617136042/>
<https://www.facebook.com/Buffaloaf/>
<https://www.podipto.com/dan-lund>
<https://ourstage.com/os/event/647585-country-dance-night-with-dan-lund-and-buffaloaf>
[Images for Dan Lund and Buffaloaf](#)

passing out praise

During the course of one evening
of dancing in two locations,
I complimented
one woman for being

centered and collected like a top,
another woman for her smooth movements
as she was built like a dancer with long legs,
two women for being strong,
another woman for catching on
to the style of dance in one song, and still
another woman for her desert at the potluck.

[Famous Dave's Music Events | Live Blues Music | Blues Club](http://www.famousdavesbluesclub.com/music_events.html)
http://www.famousdavesbluesclub.com/music_events.html
[Images for Famous Dave's Music Events | Live Blues Music | Blues Club](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bour6NzvnNU)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bour6NzvnNU> Famous Daves - YouTube

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[Images for Lee's Liquor Lounge](http://www.leesliquorlounge.com/)

[Dan Lund - Becky Thompson and Old School](http://www.beckythompsonandoldschool.com/danbio.html)
Dan Lund & Buffaloaf - rockabilly, classic country, '50s rock 'n' roll
<http://www.beckythompsonandoldschool.com/danbio.html>
[Images for Dan Lund - Becky Thompson and Old School](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pfCCzk8-cok)
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pfCCzk8-cok> jackson2 – YouTube. Dan Lund & Buffaloaf at Lee's Liquor Lounge, Minneapolis MN 11/12/12.
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DxEBWC7Jy5q> Guitar Boogie Shuffle – YouTube. Brandon Petron sitting in with Dan Lund's guitar and Buffaloaf at Lee's Liquor Lounge 2012.
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xKqXXw-p9qs> Rock This Town – YouTube. Brandon Petron sitting in with Dan Lund's guitar and Buffaloaf at Lee's Liquor Lounge. Minneapolis. 2012.



yeaaahh for the dj!

He welcomed people to the Valentine's Dance and played the first song with a valentine theme. The rest of the night he kept playing danceable tunes and stayed out of the way of the continuous music.

[Singles Connection of Eau Claire. Events for Eau Claire Singles Connection](http://singlesconnectionec.com/events/)
VALENTINES DANCE
Feb 8, 2013 will be our Valentines dance held at the American Legion, 634 Water St Eau Claire Wi. Dance lessons will be at 7:00 with Doug and Diane, dance from 8:00 to 12:00. We are having a DV at this dance featuring Music and More entertainment. Snacks will be provided. It is open to the public. The cost is \$10.00 for non-members and \$5.00 for members. This is a non-profit organization. The membership fee is only \$25.00 per year. Hope to see you there for a great time of dancing and getting together with friends.
<http://singlesconnectionec.com/events/>
<http://singlesconnectionec.com/photo-gallery/>
[Images for Eau Claire Singles Connection VALENTINES DANCE](http://singlesconnectionec.com/photo-gallery/)

[5 Ways to Be a Good DJ at a Dance - wikiHow](http://www.wikihow.com/5-Ways-to-be-a-Good-DJ-at-a-Dance)

This article will explain some of the basic principles behind spinning at a dance. This article will focus on theory and will touch little on techniques such as mixing.

<http://www.wikihow.com/Be-a-Good-DJ-at-a-Dance>
[Images for Ways to Be a Good DJ at a Dance](#)

How to DJ a Dance Party without Knowing How to DJ - Gizmodo

Every quarter-aged hipster wants to be a DJ at one point or another. The only problem is that DJing is actually a really expensive hobby, if you [do it right](#). (And by right, I mean legally.) It used to be that you needed turntables, a mixer, an audio interface, crates of records, a controller and at least one sweet-looking set of headphones. That was then. This is now.

Now, simple, free music apps like [Spotify](#), [iTunes](#) and [Google Play](#) make it relatively easy to create smooth transitions with nothing but a laptop and, ideally, an iPad or two. While that hardware's not cheap, it's likely that you own at least one if not more already.

<http://gizmodo.com/how-to-dj-a-dance-party-without-knowing-how-to-dj-510277435>
[Images for DJ a Dance Party](#)



willing to try

She met me on the floor as
I came around the bend.
She playfully curtsied, then
opened her arms and said,
"I don't know what I'm doing."
I guided her around the floor
in an open as well as a
three-quarter position
with a brisk walk.
I turned her, she smiled, and
we made friendly eye contact.

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8:00 PM – 10:30 PM	Mattson	Live \$	Millie & the Mayberries (Honky Tonk Night)

<https://www.minneapolis eagles34.org> Events & Entertainment
<https://www.minneapolis eagles34.org/events-entertainment.html>
[Images for Minneapolis Eagles #34 events and entertainment](#)

Social Etiquette : How to Curtsy - YouTube

For a curtsy, a woman should put their hands on their skirt, slightly bend with their shoulders and lean their head slightly forward. Be sure to bow the head when doing a curtsy in European culture with tips from an event coordinator in this free video on social etiquette.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=otwfHs5vJZs>
[Images for Social Etiquette : How to Curtsy - YouTube](#)

ticket taker

He said, "Good to see you!"
when I came and
"Thanks for coming!"
when I left.

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electronic mail

*Hi I saw you at the barn dance at elk mound last weekend.
A friend of mine knows who you are from the singles club in ec.
Your dancing is amazing looks like you just float around the dance floor
and totally enjoy yourself. Keep it up it's great.
(name)*

Events | Singles Connection Eau Claire

BARN DANCE

May 31, 2014, barn dance at Ted and Anna's. Gather at 6:00, eat about 7:00. The dance starts at 8:00 to 12:00. Bonafide will be playing for us. It is always a great time. The group furnishes the meat, pulled pork, and some of the main dishes. Everyone can bring a dish to pass. Ted and Anna furnish the barn to us but to pay for the band we ask for a \$5 donation.

<http://singlesconnectionec.com/events/>

[Images for Singles Connection Eau Claire BARN DANCE](#)

Bona Fide Band - Facebook

Country Classics, Blue Grass, Blues, & Classic Rock.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/paradise-shores-4/bona-fide-band/1880155855635805/>

[Images for Bona Fide Band - Country Classics, Blue Grass, Blues, & Classic Rock](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TdEwzFTEknE> Bona Fide – YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=22Bu2Jfm7V0> Bona Fide – Sultans of Swing - YouTube



recommendation

She told me she wanted me
to dance with her friend.
When I did, the friend said,
“She told me you’re the best!”

Lee's Liquor Lounge

<http://www.leesliquorlounge.com/>

[Images for Lee's Liquor Lounge](#)

M.O.R.T. -- The Mystic Order of Reverb and Twang | ReverbNation

The Mystic Order of Reverb and Twang is dedicated to the vintage sounds of rockabilly, rhythm and blues, Country Western.

<http://www.reverbnation.com/themortband>

[Images for M.O.R.T. -- The Mystic Order of Reverb and Twang | ReverbNation](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QHKG2CKD7Ak> Mystic Order of Reverb and Twang - Hoy Hoy Hoy - YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xT4BZ4kxjV4> Mystic Order of Reverb and Twang demo – YouTube

<https://www.reverbnation.com/show/17010585> ReverbNation Artist, live in concert on September 17th | ReverbNation

Tell a friend

trying a new dance

When the bandleader asked where
people came from, one couple
said they came from Georgia, so
the band played Georgia on My Mind.
When the band announced
the Beer Barrel Polka,
the couple gave a thumbs down and
said nobody danced a polka in
their home state, but they

followed me around the floor
for one lap trying to mimic my moves.

Paradise Shores 4

<https://www.paradiseshores4.com/events>

[Images for paradise shores 4](#)

Home Grown Tomatoes - Home | Facebook

The HGT Band (HOME GROWN TOMATOES), is a seasoned, professional variety band with a musical repertoire guaranteed to please all ages from Eau Claire, WI – Will travel up to 500 miles.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Musician-Band/Home-Grown-Tomatoes-168510540329/>

http://volumeone.org/listings/h/26/126_HGT_Band

<https://tockify.com/gardenpub/detail/97/1558915200000> Live Music at the Pub featuring Home Grown Tomatoes

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a4uc-b67Nx4> Home Grown Tomatoes song by Home Grown Tomatoes Band

queen for a night

A woman came out to dance with me
during various numbers in the second set.
She came over to talk with me
after the set and said,
"I'm not very good at dancing, but
you made me look like a queen
out there on the floor."

Events | Danbury - St. Croix Casino

May 13 – Eddie Beavers Band at 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm

<http://danbury.stcroixcasino.com/events/>

[Images for Events | Danbury - St. Croix Casino](#)

Eddie Beavers Band | Danbury - St. Croix Casino

Eddie Beavers is a multi-talented singer songwriter who has just moved back to Wisconsin from Nashville, TN. Born in Waukegan, IL, Eddie moved to West Central Wisconsin at the age of 22 to join the Bear Creek Band where he played guitar, bass, drums, and fronted the band as lead singer through much of the '90's. He then moved south to pursue his musical career, but always wanted to return to Wisconsin. Eddie is back performing his originals along with popular classic Country, Southern Rock, Blues, and Americana covers.

<http://danbury.stcroixcasino.com/entertainment/eddie-beavers-band/>

[Images for Eddie Beavers Band](#)

