

Hello Dancers (and Would-Be Dancers) Newsletter

News on Amy's weekend dance venue picks—opportunities for those who love to dance or just love to listen to great music! Ed and I have been to nearly all of these venues (including many of the listed dance studios), so contact me if you have a question about any of them. If you know of an upcoming event, dance opportunity, or a new dance venue, let me know and I'll send it out to the group! If you go to any of the venues listed below, let me know what you think (after all, Ed and I can only go to a few places each weekend and have our own opinions of what we think!). Please also send pictures, band recommendations and reviews, or any item that you would like to share with others about dancing in the Northeast Ohio area! This newsletter is e-mailed weekly on Fridays (or around that time!).

If you would like to correspond with me, email me at alee789@gmail.com. If you "reply" to this message, my account may filter out your email!

August 6, 2010

Weekend plans

I can't believe it is August already! I heard this is going to be a beautiful Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Haven't yet made plans this weekend, but there is plenty to do! By the way, the Cuyahoga County Fair starts on Monday <http://www.cuyfair.com/>.

Can't read the newsletter in your email?

For best viewing, view the PDF newsletter attachment—if you are on the email list, you may experience some weird formatting in your email (disappearing fonts, etc.), depending on your email settings! You can also look at my web site <http://ohiodance.webs.com> to download a newsletter! Events that arrive in my email after the newsletter is produced will be posted on the web site calendar. This newsletter is a listing of accumulated and recurring events up to the time I send this out through my email list! Let me know if an event closes or does not occur—I'll take them off the listings. Much of this information comes from YOU!

Hello! Dancers web site links

[Home page](#) --download newsletters and event registration

[Local ballroom dance studio monthly calendar](#) --see the regularly scheduled dances on one monthly calendar

[Special month events](#) --see events sponsored by USA dance and other organizations and special studio dances

Amy



Here's a picture of a Here to Dance event at the All About Dancin' studio. Dale plays a lot of hustle and takes requests! The next Here to Dance event is this Sunday!

FRIDAY/SATURDAY/SUNDAY THIS WEEK (check "Upcoming Special Events" too!)

Disclaimer: These events are gathered through web sites and information from listservs. If you are interested in going to a certain event, you might just want to call and make sure that event or band has not cancelled!

Savannah Bar and Grille (Friday & Saturday & Sunday)—30676 Detroit Road, Westlake, OH, 440-892-2266. Band Times: Monday—7 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday—5 or 9 p.m. No cover unless noted. Bands play throughout the week. Nice mid-size dance floor in front of the stage. Ed and I like this place a lot (although Mondays tend to get very crowded!). For current band listings, check <http://www.thesavannah.com/WebCalendar/month.php>. **Friday:** Deja Voodoo Band, 9:00 p.m.; **Saturday:** Swamp Boogie Band, 9:00 p.m.; **Sunday:** no band (DJ).

Loose Moose Café (Friday and Saturday)—482 W. Aurora Rd. Sagamore Hills, OH, 468-2660. <http://www.loosemoosecafe.com/id4.html> . This is a hopping place with a dance floor—not too big, but it'll do if it is not too crowded. The food's pretty good! I think the bands start around 9 p.m.—there is usually a \$5 cover charge (at least when we've gone). Friday: Short Vincent Band; Saturday—Heart and Soul.

Carrie Cerino's (Friday and Saturday) -- 8922 Ridge Road, North Royalton, OH 44133; 440-237-3434, <http://www.carriecerinos.com/main/specialevents03.asp>. Mad Jr. plays on Friday 8 p.m.-12 midnight at 9 p.m.-1 a.m. and on Saturday. Nice small dance floor in front of the band, but it gets crowded quickly.

Willoughby Brewing Company (Friday & Saturday)-- 4057 Erie Street Willoughby , Ohio; 440-975-0202; <http://willoughbybrewing.com/entertainment/>. They have a big wood dance floor in front of the band (it's more long than it is wide)! Friday: Big in Japan; Saturday: Disco Inferno.

Avon Oaks Ballroom (Friday & Saturday)-- 1401 North State Street, Girard, Ohio 44420 (Just Minutes Away From Route 11); 330-545-1951; <http://www.avonoaksballroom.com/>. This Friday there will be dancing from 8 until 11 with the DJ playing all your favorite dance music for only \$5.00 per person. There will be a Rumba lesson from 6:00 until 7:30 (\$5.00 per person, open to everyone), and the kitchen and bar will be open for all your food and drink needs. Saturday night, the great dance band "Dr. Zoot" will be on the stage from 8 until 11. This wonderful band plays a full variety of music, from Foxtrots to Viennese Waltzes, and Cha Chas to Rumbas, with Swings, Quicksteps, Sambas and Tangos to keep you on your feet! "Dr. Zoot" sounds as great in person as they do on their CDs, so don't miss them! \$15.00 per person at the door. No advanced ticket sales, but you can call to reserve a table if you wish at (330-545-4882).

Here To Dance (Sunday)—All About Dancin' Studio, 2115 Freeman Ave., Cleveland, OH 44113. As usual, there will be a free beginning hustle lesson from approximately 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. (more experienced dancers can practice at the other end of the floor during the lesson time, if you wish), and dancing is from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Also, as usual, if you would like to do a spotlight dance, just call Dale or Nancy by noon on Sunday. Dale (216-663-5910) or Nancy (216-789-8997).

Notes and Offers

- **Tango in NYC?** Contact Joseph Paonessa, 5994 Dailey Rd., Akron, OH 44319-5116, home 330-882-4196; joepaonessa40@hotmail.com if you are interested in going to NYC to Tango in August, and want to go in a group. He would like to get 6 people to stay in an apartment there and see the sights and attend Tango Workshops. The prices seem reasonable enough. Find out more at: http://tangoconnections.ning.com/events/tango-trip-to-nycaugust-18-23/showAttendees?status=not_rsvped If you want to go, and not dance, that's OK, too.

Check out other weekend activities in the special events section below! Events are categorized by upcoming events, local studios and recurring events by day of the week! Also listed are other tidbits, such as venues, bands and websites!

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS and SCHEDULES

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS FOR THIS WEEKEND AND FUTURE WEEKENDS	
8/6/10	Quirk Cultural Center Ballroom Dance -- 1201 Grant Ave. Cuyahoga Falls OH 44223. 7:30 Foxtrot lesson, 8:15-10:30 dance to Ballroom, Latin, Swing and more! Fun, friendly

	<p>people. Singles & couples welcome! Plenty of free, well-lit parking. Light refreshments provided (BYOB is OK). \$10 per person. \$6 Seniors or college students w/ID. Questions? Please contact Anita at 330-608-4444 or dancerinyou@yahoo.com.</p>																
8/7/10	<p>Avon Ballroom Unity Dance--35840 Chester Road, Avon, OH 44011; 440-937-9898 (on the corner of Chester Road Square plaza, next to Fugiyama restaurant). http://www.avonballroom.com/. Dancing all day—mini-competition during the day, dinner and dance in the evening. The daytime tickets are \$10, evening including dinner, team match, professional shows and general dancing are \$50.</p> <p>Tentative schedule</p> <table> <tr> <td>12pm-2pm</td> <td>Standard/Smooth freestyles</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2pm-4pm</td> <td>Latin/Rhythm freestyles</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4pm-5pm</td> <td>Solos</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5pm-6pm</td> <td>Break/General Dancing</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6pm-7pm</td> <td>Team Match and Appetizers</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7pm-8pm</td> <td>Dinner and Awards</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8pm-9pm</td> <td>Professional Shows and Dessert</td> </tr> <tr> <td>9pm-10pm</td> <td>General Dancing</td> </tr> </table> <p>Final schedule will be posted on our web-site www.avonballroom.com</p>	12pm-2pm	Standard/Smooth freestyles	2pm-4pm	Latin/Rhythm freestyles	4pm-5pm	Solos	5pm-6pm	Break/General Dancing	6pm-7pm	Team Match and Appetizers	7pm-8pm	Dinner and Awards	8pm-9pm	Professional Shows and Dessert	9pm-10pm	General Dancing
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8/7/10-8/8/10	<p>Starz Ballroom Bill Sparks Workshops-- 25016 Center Ridge Rd, Westlake, Ohio 44145, Phone (440) 871-STAR (7827): http://starzballroom.net/. His classes will help you master your upper and lower body actions, including arm styling for both men and women, leg and foot compressions, spins, turns, spots, curls and spirals. Don't miss this invaluable opportunity to train with the US Latin Champ and take your dancing to the next level. We <i>promise</i> to help you shine like a star.</p> <p><i>Saturday Aug. 7</i></p> <p>2:45 p.m.--principles of arm movement in latin dancing (all levels) 3:30 p.m.--spins and turns - the finer points (all levels) 4:15 p.m.--secrets to performance (all levels)</p> <p><i>Sunday Aug. 8</i></p> <p>2:00 p.m.--use of body weight & foot pressure (all levels) 2:45 p.m.--understanding upper and lower body action (all levels)</p> <p>Also, schedule private coaching with Bill! Times open Saturday and Sunday. You can contact Anderson at 440-871-7827 for more information about the workshop and private coaching with Bill.</p>																
8/8/10	<p>Avon Ballroom Kimberly Mitchell Workshop--35840 Chester Road, Avon, OH 44011; 440-937-9898 (on the corner of Chester Road Square plaza, next to Fugiyama restaurant). http://www.avonballroom.com/. Cost \$20—Lady's Workshop with this Latin champion at 11 a.m. Private lessons also available. Call the studio for more information.</p>																
8/8/10	<p>USA Dance North Coast Chapter Annual Luau--Painesville Township Park Community Center 1025 Hardy Rd., Painesville, OH 44077. 440-257-3649 http://www.ballroomdancingohio.org/. Cost \$5 for members of USA Dance Club; \$7 non-members. Beautiful big wooden dance floor! Dance 6:00-9:00 pm. Join us for hot dogs and sloppy joes.</p>																
8/8/20	<p>Baila Duro Extreme (BDX)--Philippine American Hall, 1975 West Ridgewood Dr., Parma, OH 44134. Dance 6-9:30 p.m. Cover: \$10 (excludes workshop). Music by: DJ Israel Diaz & Frankie Flores. Dress: Casual. www.bailaduro.com This is great fun if you like to salsa (a lot of it)! Note, for this special event, this is the second Sunday in August. This is Baila Duro's Biggest Annual Event. We will be bringing in guests from NC, NJ, and NYC for workshops, performances and social dancing. This event has become The Event for Hard Core dancers in the region. Information on workshops and shows will be coming soon—</p>																

	<p>check out the website! Workshop schedule is posted on the web site! BDX 2010 Special Guests: Norberto 'Betto' Herrera (NC) (Workshops/Performance) Eleanee Jimenez (NYC) (Performance) Garry P. Portugal (NJ) (Performance)</p>
8/12/10	<p>Viva! Dance Viva en Blanco –12381 Pearl Rd (Staples Plaza), Strongsville, OH 44136, 440-878-3930; http://www.vivadancestudio.com/. Viva dance! Studio is having a Salsa whiteout. Put on all white attire and come dance the night away with a live band as they play Salsa, Cha-Cha, Merengue, and Bachata, with DJ spinning the best in Latin music in between sets. Free pre-dance beginner salsa lesson at 8pm party starts at 9. Cost \$ 10</p>
8/13/10	<p>Margaritaville Dance--Elyria Amvets Q-Hut, 11087 S. Middle Ave., Elyria, OH. Phone: 440-823-2745. Friday, Aug. 13, 7:30-10:30. I will have cheeseburgers and margaritas; bring pot uck (please bring side dishes or dessert). Casual dress. Cost--\$10. We also have dances each 2nd and 4th Sunday from 8-10pm, \$7. Please check our website for the class schedule at Dancetime-studio.com Barbara Gerhart 440-823-2745 dancetime-studio@hotmail.com</p>
8/14/10	<p>Let's Dance Cleveland Cookout-- 23366 Commerce Parkway, Beachwood, OH 44122. Phone 216-292-9777 or info@letsdancecleveland.com; website http://www.letsdancecleveland.com/. Our final Cook-Out Potluck Dance is Saturday, Aug. 14, 6:30 - 10:00pm. It will feature HOT DOGS, CORN-ON-THE-COB, and ICE CREAM SUNDAES. The cost is \$13 per person. Reservations requested at front desk or by email or phone: 216.464.5325 or letsdanceclev@aol.com.</p>
8/20/10, 9/17/10, 10/15/10, 11/19/10, 12/17/10	<p>Ballroom Dancing Nights Lakeview Park—Rose Café, 1800 W. Erie Ave., Lorain, OH 44052. On 3rd Friday of the month (8/20, 9/17, 10/15, 11/19, 12/17) , 7-10 p.m. Register at http://www.metroparks.cc/ or call 440-458-5121. All dances will feature Tom Ward as DJ, except the October 15 dance, which will have live big band music. Please call and reserve your spot if you are interested in signing up for free dance lessons from 5:30-7 p.m. Pay \$7 at the door for all dances. Dinner will be available for a fee.</p>
8/20/10- 8/22/10	<p>Riverfront Ballroom Argentine Tango Show and Workshops—137 Portage Trail, Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221; 330-992-3234: http://www.riverfrontballroom.com/. Riverfront Ballroom announces the return of Claudio Villagra (the star of <i>Forever Tango</i>) and Romina Levin (the star of <i>Tango x 2</i> and <i>Tango Seduction</i>) for an all new Argentine Tango Show, Friday, August 20th, 8-11:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10 per person. Claudio and Romina will also be holding workshops Saturday, August 21st, 12-3:00 p.m. and Sunday, August 22nd, 1-4:00 p.m. Private coaching sessions are also available on a limited basis. Call for details. (330) 922-3234.</p>
8/21/10	<p>Cleveland Swing and Salsa Benefit--1505 East 260th Street Euclid, Ohio 44132. Join us Saturday August 21st for a Salsa lesson and Dance to benefit Kingdom Ministries (KMI). The event will be at Imani Church in the Chosen Generation Youth Annex. Imani is located at 1505 East 260th Street Euclid, Ohio 44132. The event will run from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Lesson starts at 6:00 pm. The cost for the function is \$10.00 per person at the door. Help us make this a successful event. It's for a great cause! The benefit is for Kingdom Ministries International (KMI) to help raise funds for our mission trip to Zambia in September 2010. The funds will be used, but not limited to: purchasing bicycles for conference participants to travel between villages, tuition assistance for students attending school, printing conference materials, travel expenses for team going to Zambia (i.e., transportation, food, lodgings). We also help cover the expenses for the conference venue. The last time KMI went to Zambia approximately 1,500 men and women from across the</p>

	nation of Zambia attended.
8/22/10	<p>USA Dance Youngstown Chapter Big Fat Greek Wedding-- Saints Peter & Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Center, 1025 North Belle Vista Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio 44509; http://usadance2015.com/default.aspx Dance, dinner and show. Time 3:00-9:30 p.m. ; 3:00-3:50 p.m. rumba dance lesson with Stephen Sobat of Studio One; 4:00-4:30 Greek dance lesson. Taste of Greece sit down dinner with Jim Economus. Featuring professional ballroom champions, Minas Katsantouris and Rachel Neilson. The night away To ballroom, Latin, swing & hustle—and add some Greek fun! “Oppa!” award for Greek enthusiasm. USA Dances are open to the public. Advance tickets only--\$40 adults; \$30 full-time students. For information call 330-793-1962 or email joapac@yahoo.com. Tickets are limited. Advance ticket sales only & while supply last, please send in your reservation by August 10 with a stamped self addressed envelope and payment to:</p> <p>USA Dance c/o 3815 Ayrshire Drive Youngstown, Ohio 44511 330-793-1962</p> <p>Doors will open at 2:30 pm, Special Seating arrangements can be handled at that time. Dinner will be served at 5:30 pm. Beer & Wine Cash Bar Available For more information www.usadance2015.com</p>
8/26/10-8/29/10	<p>Jason and Sophy’s Swingin’ Dance Party—Drawbridge Inn Hotel, 2477 Royal Drive, Fort Mitchell, KY 41017-3599; (859) 341-2800; \$78 room rate. A \$69 weekend pass includes 35 hours of social dancing, 16 workshops, pool party, poker tournament, Friday hors d’oeuvres, Saturday dinner buffet and pro show and more. The DJ’s will be playing plenty of great West Coast Swing music!</p> <p>Instructors include John Lindo, Beata Howe, Matt & Crystal Auclair, Maren Oslac & Jeff Sanchez, Mike Topel, Brian Barakauskas, Jason & Annmarie Marker, Danelle Jacoby and Jason Miklic. For registration, event schedule and other information, visit the website at http://jasonandsophy.com/SWINGINDANCEPARTY/Home/tabid/123/Default.aspx Directions to hotel: http://drawbridgeinn.com/directions.asp</p>
8/27/10-8/31/10	<p>Alberto Dassieu Argentine Tango Workshops (various locations, see below) The Teacher, of teachers Truly, a Grand Master of tango Alberto Dassieu from Buenos Aires, Argentine will teach in several locations in Cleveland Cleveland, Ohio with weekend of Aug 27 & 31 More info to come.</p> <p>Alberto Dassieu, born 1937 in a neighborhood of Buenos Aires known for its Tango Dancers and singers, and was exposed to tango music and some of the best of the ages. He is an accomplished maestro of tango salon, incorporation elegance, subtlety, and poetic cadence. He started dancing tango when he was fourteen years old. Since then, Alberto has been frequenting the best dance floors of Buenos Aires: Jockey club, Sans Souci, Morocco, Atlanta, Viento Norte, Sunderland, Almagro, Canning and many others. He has shared those same dance floors with best tangueros of the times, including Gerardo Portalea, Pepe Dafonte (el pibe del Oeste), the intrepid Virulazo. Copes and the legendary Miguel Angel Zotto. Alberto has many dance credits to his name. He has taught at the Casa de Cultura de Ramos Mejia, worked on two National Geographic documentaries. The first one on "Tango" with Robert Duval, and the second called "A good Dancer and Lover of our Tango", Alberto has also a documentary made by Gustavo Benzecry Saba, and choregraphed for the very successful tango show called "Milonuisimo at confiteria la Ideal. and Alberto and his wife Paulina appeared in the blockbuster movie, "Evita". Alberto and his wife have taught and given exhibitions in Switzerland, Italy, Germany and the United States, and now will be coming to Cleveland, Ohio</p>

Classes

Friday, Aug 27 One More Step Dance studio

4431 Mayfield rd. at Green 2nd floor

7:00 Men and Ladies Technique- Keeping the close embrace, improve your leading and following technique, while dancing with balance.

8:30 to 12:00 milonga with Guest DJ: Chandra Raman

Saturday, Aug 28 Silhouette Dance studio

12501 Madison Ave. Lakewood, Ohio 44107

1:00 Tango Salon1- understanding the music, its cadence, and dancing with elegance, keeping the connection close 2:50 Tango Saon 2- How to use quick, quicks as well as pauses in the music to convey your feelings 9:00 Milonga Con Dolcezza with guest DJ- Manuk Colakyan Please, BYOB and something to share

Sunday, Aug 29 Silhouette Dance studio

1:00 Dancing to D'Arienzo of the 30s

2:50 Vals Crusado- Learning velocity and how to play with timing with unique interpretation in turns. A class for the experienced dancer

Tuesday, Aug 31 Alegria

8778 Gatewood Dr, North Ridgeville, oh 44039 7:00 Masters Class- How to dance to Pugliese. NO Beginners, you must be approved for this class 8:00 to 11:00 Milonga, DJ Timmy

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=orgGazxNz64&feature=player_embedded

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V-7Sc1I5WM&feature=player_embedded

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mKFM1HGvGnQ&feature=player_embedded

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qKNHZGhPow0&feature=player_embedded

Over night accommodations--1st contact timmytango for a host, or Travel Lodge, 11837 Edgewater Dr 216/221-9000, Lakewood, Ohio Days Inn, 12019 Lake Rd, Lakewood, Ohio 216/226-4800

Discounts

10% discount for driving 75 miles or more 30% discount for full time College students with valid ID All payments to be made at the Door

Prices

Friday night Lesson and Milonga.....\$15

Friday night Milonga only.....\$7

Saturday workshops only.....\$50

Sunday workshops only.....\$50

ale carte per class.....\$30

Saturday milonga con Dolcezza.....\$10

Tuesdays Masters Class and milonga.....\$25 Tuesday night milonga only.....\$7

Friday, Saturday, & Sunday Pass.....\$110

Everywhere Pass.....\$120

There is NO pre-payment. Please pay at the door Thank you, Please tell your friends of this event For more info, Please contact Timmy Tango at TimmyTango@aol.com or phoning 440/227-4070

8/28/10

USA Dance Sandusky August Picnic Dance-- Sandusky YMCA 2101 West Perkins

	Avenue, Sandusky, Ohio 44870. The picnic will be from 5:30-7:00pm at the picnic pavilion behind the YMCA. There will be open dancing in the gymnasium during the picnic for those who are interested. There will be a dance lesson from 7-8pm followed by the dance from 8-11pm. Prices will be \$5 for USA Dance Members and \$10 for Non Members of USA Dance. DJ music, hamburgers, buns, condiments, and soft drinks will be provided by the chapter. Please bring a covered dish to share. Dr Steve Velasquez will be the instructor for the lesson. Ballroom at the Berg will tentatively be providing a dance demonstration. Please join us for an evening of fun. Please RSVP your dish with Carol McKinny at (419) 621-1818 at your earliest convenience. Feel free to ask Carol any questions or respond with them to this email.
9/5/10	End-of Summer Dancing Gala —10377 Pine Needle Trail, Strongsville, OH 44149 (hostess Charlotte McCoy). RSVP by August 27: 440-238-1171 or email cv.mccoy@hotmail.com . BYOB and side dish. Time 7 p.m.- ? Music by Donna & Greg—ballroom and Argentine tango.
9/12/10	North Coast Ball (USA Dance chapter 2063)--Painesville Township Park Community Center 1025 Hardy Rd., Painesville, OH 44077. 440-257-3649, http://www.ballroomdancingohio.org/ . 4:00 – 9:00 General Dancing 5:00 Dance performance by <u>Illa & Yuliya Volokh</u> (note: Maria is not performing due to pregnancy from <u>WHYM</u>) 5:30 <u>Buffet Dinner</u> catered by G.G. White's Personal Touch Catering Co. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ "Chicken Cordon Bleu, Top Round of Beef with Veggie Demiglace, ▪ Vegetable Lasagna, Baked Stuffed Potato, Asparagus Tips with ▪ Bearnaise Sauce, Snow Peas/Mushrooms & Peppers, Rolls, ▪ Cheesecake with Cherry Sauce, Coffee, Decaf, Tea. ▪ Soft drinks available for purchase \$35 per person for USA members -- \$40 non-members -- \$25 students (We welcome singles and couples). Dress—semi-formal. Door Prizes and 50/50 Drawing after dinner. 50/50 Raffle Tickets (6/\$5.00) will be pre-sold. No raffle tickets will be sold on the premises. Tickets will be held at the door. Download the form (you can download from http://ohiodance.webs.com) and send completed copy with payment to:USA Dance North Coast Ohio) to Pat Webster, 709 East 315 th St., Willowick, OH 44095. Reservation Deadline is Friday, Sept. 3--\$5.00 late fee applied to all tickets purchased after Sept. 3. For information call: Nancy at 440-254-3479
9/22/10	The View & Noel Quintana and the Latin Crew —618 Prospect Ave. East, Cleveland, OH 44115. Event 8 p.m.-12 midnight; \$10 cover. A night for the mambo and salsa enthusiast. Sponsored by Pura Salsa—check for quarterly events on Wednesdays at the View on facebook (search for pura.salsa@yahoo.com); 216-201-1656.
1/8/2011	Backwards in High Heels the Ginger Musical —Cleveland Playhouse, 8500 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44106; www.clevelandplayhouse.com . The Youngstown-Warren USA Dance Chapter is getting a group together to see this show! Tickets \$29 (with USA Dance discount); dance before the show 5:30-7:30 p.m. Check back for more information.
DANCE STUDIO SOCIAL DANCE SCHEDULES	
<p>Note: Dance studios below offer group/private classes. See websites for class schedules/times. Many of these studios offer prices by the class (which I prefer!) rather than package pricing. You are generally not required to attend as a couple—singles are often welcome. Let me know if you have any questions regarding any of the events/studios below. To find more links to area dance studios, go to the Ohio Chapter, USA Dance site at http://www.usadanceohio.org/ and click on the "places to dance" tab. Studios may update their calendars or have special events—please check the web links or call for the specific day that you want to attend a dance!</p>	
All About Dancin'	All About Dancin' (Saturdays) —2115 Freeman Ave., Cleveland, OH 44113, (216) 479-0355. http://www.allaboutdancin.net/ . Free class 8:00-8:30 p.m.; open dance 8:30-11:00 p.m. (\$7) on second and third Saturdays, except the last Saturday of the month (that's potluck Saturday, 7:30-11:30 p.m., \$4 if you bring a dish). The

	Cleveland Akron Swing and Hustle Club has their dance on the first Saturday of the month.
American Ballroom Center (Updated 4/17/10)	American Ballroom Center (Saturdays) , 5673 Ridge Rd. Parma OH, 216-884-9200; http://www.americanballroomcentre.com/ . Open dance \$10, music by DJ Denise, free refreshments. It appears that they now have their dances on Fridays, 8-11 p.m.
Avon Ballroom (New 11/13/09)	Avon Ballroom (Fridays) 35840 Chester Road, Avon, OH 44011; 440-937-9898 (it's in the corner of Chester Road Square plaza, next to Fugiyama restaurant). http://www.avonballroom.com/ Dance parties 8-10 p.m.; pre-party lesson 7:15 p.m.; \$10 non-members. Wednesday 9-10:30 dance practice--\$5 or free for members. Gordon Kwan and Anya Kwan just opened up a new studio. Gordon is Ed and my instructor—he is great! Email info@avonballroom.com .
Cavana Ballroom Cleveland	Cavana Ballroom Cleveland (Saturdays) --4189 Pearl Road, Cleveland Ohio, 44109, 216-398-7660; http://cavanaballroom.com/ . Saturday 8:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m. ballroom dancing. Every third Sunday of the month 7-10:00 p.m. ballroom dancing. Tricky entrance to the studio—park behind the building from a dark alley off of Broadview (sometimes I park at the Charter One Bank on Pearl Rd., too). The studio entrance is at the top of the iron staircase. Click on “promotion” on the web site and download a coupon for a free dance lesson!
Cleveland Ballroom Company	Cleveland Ballroom Company —23500 Mercantile Rd, Suite G, Beachwood OH 44122 (off I-271 & Chagrin Blvd.); phone 216-595-6955 or email clevelandballroomcompany@gmail.com ; website http://www.clevelandballroomcompany.com/index.cfm . Their social dances are on Thursdays, 8-10 p.m. see calendar at http://www.clevelandballroomcompany.com/ .
Cleveland Swing and Salsa	Cleveland Swing and Salsa 4151 Mayfield Rd., S. Euclid, OH. 44121 440.350.9969; http://www.clevelandswingandsalsa.com/ . Parking and entrance in back and we are downstairs. Mondays, Salsa Club. 6:45 pm to 9:00 pm. Everyone and anyone, of all ages, is welcome! Little Salseras and Salseros, ages 6 to 13, are half price. College students, with I.D. \$5.00. Half price when you bring a guest. Join us for the best Salsa on Mondays and learn the hottest moves in town! All levels of Salsa, from beginner's to intermediate, are taught. There is plenty of practice time throughout the evening where teachers will be on hand to help students with any trouble spots and answer any questions. Cost is \$10.00 per person. Warm-up starts at 6:45. First lesson starts at 7:00. <u>If you are a beginner, make sure you are present for the intro. part of the session which starts, promptly, at 7 pm.</u> Send all checks or money orders to Cleveland Swing & Salsa 50 Hawthorne Dr. Painesville, OH. 44077 Join us, this and every Friday, at Touch Supper Club for some exciting, hot Salsa moves and great music! The lesson starts at 8:30 and is free. Music starts at 10:00. The kitchen is now open at Touch. Touch is located at 2710 Lorain Ave., Cleveland, OH. 44113. For more on Touch, check out their website http://www.touchohiocity.com
Dancer In You (Updated 7/9/10)	Dancer In You -- www.dancerinyou.com Anita Converse teaches in various locations, including the Quirk Cultural Center in Cuyahoga Falls 1201 Grant Ave. Cuyahoga Falls OH 44223 and the Elite Dance Academy 1241 Industrial Pkwy. N., Brunswick OH 44212. She teaches ballroom and Argentine Tango. She also sells dance shoes and accessories from her Dancer In You Boutique at 3489 Copley Rd. Copley OH 44321; 330-608-4444. Check the web site for a calendar of events. Second Friday In-Flight Ballroom Argentine Tango Dance , 2735 Front St.,

	<p>Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221-- 7:30 Lesson- ARGENTINE TANGO; 8:30-11:30 Milonga (Tango dance party); Dance tango, milonga, vals and Latin! Plenty of free parking. Light refreshments provided (BYOB is OK). Singles & couples welcome! \$15 per person lesson and milonga. \$10 per person lesson or milonga, only (college students w/ID- \$10 for lesson & milonga). Questions? Please contact Anita at 330-608-4444 or dancerinyou@yahoo.com.</p> <p>First and Third Friday Quirk Cultural Center Ballroom Dance, 1201 Grant Ave. Cuyahoga Falls OH 44223--7:30 lesson; 8:15-10:30 dance ballroom, Latin, swing and more! Fun, friendly people. Singles & couples welcome! Plenty of free, well-lit parking. Light refreshments provided (BYOB is OK). \$10 per person. \$6 Seniors or college students w/ID. Questions? Please contact Anita at 330-608-4444 or dancerinyou@yahoo.com.</p> <p>The Dancer In You dance boutique is now open at our new location at 2872 W. Market St, Fairlawn, 44333. We're in the Wyant building on Market St., enter from the first driveway just east of Shiawasse. We are located in unit "F" (for a few weeks, until our unit is ready).</p>
<p>Dancetime Studio (Updated 12/11/09)</p>	<p>Dancetime Studio (owner Barbara Gerhart)—New location! Elyria Amvets Quonset Hut 11087 S. Middle Ave. Elyria, Ohio. Phone: 440-823-2745. Large wood dance floor! Also offering classes in Avon (Lisa Wilhelm Studio). See website or call for more information http://www.dancetime-studio.com/. Two dances each month, the 2nd and 4th Sun. each month at the Elyria Amvets Q-Hut, 11087 Middle Ave., Elyria from 8-10pm at \$7.</p>
<p>Lauray's Studio of Dance (New 1/12/10)</p>	<p>Lauray's Studio of Dance--704 Broadway Avenue (up stairs) Bedford, Ohio 44146 2 1/2 miles west of Rt. 271 (Broadway Forbes exit) (Ample parking across the street in the municipal parking lot); 440 232-3202. Social ballroom dance is generally the third Friday of the month; 7:30 to 8:00 PM free beginner class (with admission to open dance); 8:00 to 10:00 PM open dance (for all levels). Admission \$5.00 per person. Refreshments & Demonstration.</p>
<p>Let's Dance Cleveland</p>	<p>Let's Dance Cleveland (Fridays and Saturdays) 23366 Commerce Parkway, Beachwood, OH 44122. Phone 216-292-9777 or info@letsdancecleveland.com; website http://www.letsdancecleveland.com/. This studio is 6,000 square feet studio—very nice floor! They have general ballroom or swing/hustle dancing on Fridays and Saturdays—check the events calendar to see what they are doing (http://www.letsdancecleveland.com/calendar/month.php) ! They are also hosting Sunday dances from 6-9 p.m. on the fourth Sunday of most months: these will include July 18, Aug. 22, Sept. 26, Oct. 31, and Nov. 28.</p> <p>For those of you who I've told about lessons with Tim Brown (he is own of the owners), his cell phone number is 330-338-5099. He's great with beginners (and teaching guys how to lead). He offers group classes at the Akron Jewish Community Center on Tuesday evenings. Call him for the type of class and times (usually teaches West Coast and other type of dances).</p>
<p>Riverfront Ballroom and Latin Dance Center</p>	<p>Riverfront Ballroom and Latin Dance Center—137 Portage Trail, Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221; 330-992-3234: http://www.riverfrontballroom.com/. Non-students are welcome to attend Practice Parties on Fridays, 9-10:30. Prices for non-students: Friday open group class is \$10.00, the Practice Party is \$5.00, or both for \$15.00.</p>
<p>Spot Light Dance (Added 4/30/10)</p>	<p>Spotlight Dance Parties— Lessons and events at Roses Run Country Club, 2636 North River Road, Stow, OH 44224; 330-688-4653; www.SD-PA.com Dance Parties: Jun-29 CANCELLED, July-27 CANCELLED, Aug 31, Dec 14. Cost \$10; 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM. Free Pizza & Soda served at 6:30. Open dancing, fun & games! GREAT</p>

	<p>MUSIC! Social dancing every Monday, 8-10 p.m.; \$5 (free for students).</p> <p>Douglas Rousar is having Monday group lessons and Tuesday night private lessons—check out the website for more information. August—hustle and WCS; September—east coast swing and WCS; October—country two-step and WCS; November—nightclub two-step and WCS.</p> <p>The music will be a 60/40 mix--60% WCS and 40% other. MC/Visa Accepted</p>
Starz Ballroom	<p>Starz Ballroom Studio 25016 Center Ridge Rd, Westlake, Ohio 44145, Phone (440) 871-STAR (7827): http://starzballroom.net/. Open dance nights on different days of the week (generally Friday). Check the calendar on http://starzballroom.net/calendar-2/.</p>
Tango Cleveland	<p>Tango Cleveland (Tuesdays)</p> <p>There is tango every Tuesday night Alegria (Timmy and Joanne's home) 8778 Gatewood Drive North Ridgeville, Ohio 44039</p> <p>Tango lesson in the close embrace at 7:00 Open dancing from 8:00 to 10:30 all for only \$5 a person including light refreshments http://tangocleveland.com/ . Phone 440/748-2204</p>
TangoRush	<p>TangoRush--2115 Freeman Ave., Cleveland, OH 44113, http://www.tangorush.com/</p> <p>TANGORUSH is an organization devoted to fostering Argentine Tango as a social dance in the Cleveland-Akron area. To inquire about signing up for a class, please e-mail signup@tangorush.com. Group classes Monday evenings at the All About Dancin' Studio. Tango cafes and dances are limited to their doorlist (generally students and screened guests). Where : All About Dancin' Studio. Please email quillermo.pimentel.ctr@dfas.mil if you have any questions.</p>
Viva! Dance Studio	<p>Viva! Dance Studio (Fridays) –12381 Pearl Rd (Staples Plaza), Strongsville, OH 44136, 440-878-3930; http://www.vivadancestudio.com/. 1st, 2nd and 4th Friday of the month—ballroom and Latin social, 8-11 p.m., \$5 for Viva dance member, \$10 general public (free refreshments). 3rd Friday of the month—Lindy/Swing 9 p.m.-12 midnight, swing lesson 8:15-9 p.m., \$10 public.</p> <p><i>For the months of May, June, July and August, we will be having our Friday Ballroom and Latin dances every 2nd and 4th Friday along with the popular Milonga!</i></p>
Wilhelm Dance Studio (Added 10/6/09)	<p>Wilhelm Dance Studio (Tuesday and Fridays)—Two locations: 19555Center Ridge Rd, Rocky River, OH 44116 (Tuesdays) and 1482 Lear Industrial Parkway, Avon, OH 44112 (Fridays).</p> <p>Wilhelm Dance Studio in Rocky River at the corner of Wooster & Center Ridge on Tues evening: Class one from 7:30 to 8:20 pm : \$10 per class or all 10 classes for \$80. Class two from 8:30 to 9:20 pm: \$10 per class or all 10 classes for \$80. After the second class the studio will be available for practice til 10pm. Or do all 20 classes plus the practice time for \$135. Do 2 classes 1 night \$16.</p> <p>If you do the Tuesday class in Rocky River, you may attend the Friday Class in Avon free. The Avon studio is located on Chester, east of 83 across the street from Petiti's Garden Center. The 2 studios are only 15 minutes apart. The Friday classes will go from 7:30 to 8:20pm and 8:30 to 9:20pm with practice until 10pm.</p> <p>If you sign up for all the classes at \$135 you could attend all 40 classes for \$135 which works out to a little over \$3 per class if you can come on Tuesdays and Fridays. No partner required. Call Larry Hipp at 440 610 3977 if you have questions.</p>

NON-DANCE STUDIO DANCE SCHEDULES (categorized by day starting from Friday) (Please confirm the event date/time before you go—sometimes they change the date and don't tell me. Can you believe that? Let me know if there are corrections e.g. prices, times for any of these regular events!)	
FRIDAYS	
Shadows—Latin night Friday	<p>Cleveland's Latin dance club, Shadows.</p> <p>It has a sizable, wood dance floor, lower bar, upper level seating and bar and DJ Benny Velez kicks out some great Salsa music all night long.</p> <p>Lessons from the Cleveland Swing and Salsa studio start at 8:30 pm and go until 10:00 pm. Cost is \$5.00 for the lesson. Admission is free after 10:00.</p> <p>Shadows is located at 1360 W. 9th St. at the corner of 9th. and St. Clair. Was Tramp/Funky Buddha.</p>
View Night Club—Latin night Friday	<p>View Night Club--618 Prospect Ave. Cleveland, OH 44115, between Flannery's & Winking Lizard, 216-664-1815</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two Levels <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main dance floor with state of the art sound and visuals • Roof top patio and cabanas with a spectacular <i>View</i> of the city • Two Styles of Music <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Latin Dance music on the main floor • Funk, jazzy house, R&B, hip hop, world music, on roof top patio • Free Salsa lessons from 9 to 10 p.m. on Friday • Main Dance Floor level is a <u>non-smoking</u> area • Smoking allowed on patio • VIP area with bottle service • See the Cleveland Orchestra Fire Works Display from the patio • \$5 Cover <p>Location</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To see more pictures of Club • More club info @ www.ViewNightClub.com <p>The View has a pretty big dance floor (but it gets crowded fast!)—they mostly play salsa, merengue, and bachata.</p>
Quirk Cultural Center—1st Fridays	<p>Dance Fever</p> <p>07:30 pm - 10:30 pm at Quirk Cultural Center, 1201 Grant Avenue, Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223; 330-971-8425. Looking for a chance to socialize with friends, meet new people, and enjoy great music while trying out your dance moves? Then come to the Ballroom Dance night, hosted by Anita Converse of The Dancer In You, Inc. We'll start each evening with a dance lesson from 7:30 -8:30 pm, each month featuring a different dance. From 8:30 - 10:30 pm enjoy dancing to a variety of great music; Swing, Waltz, Cha Cha, Tango, Line Dances, and more! Fee is \$8 per person, \$5 for students and seniors with ID. No partner needed, all ages welcome. Pay at the door. Check the website for each month's schedule</p> <p>http://cfo.cityofcf.com/website/web2/view.do?dir=parksandrec/quirk&tile=events.jsp</p>
Mobile Ballroom—2nd and 4th Friday 7/23/10 Suspended until	<p>Mobile Ballroom</p> <p>American Legion Post 717 (formerly Melody Grove), 8820 Bender Road, North Ridgeville, OH 44039; 440-878-0154; http://www.mobileballroom.net. They boast a 5,000 square foot floating dance floor! Dances are 2nd and 4th Friday each month; 7-11 p.m. (dance lesson 7-8 p.m.); \$8 per person or \$15 per couple. For more</p>

<p>further notice (hopefully in the fall)!</p>	<p>information, contact Bill Bodenschatz at 440.878.0154. Ed and I went in April—it is a very nice floor (a little slick, though), and the DJ plays pretty good music. They even serve some food here, too!</p> <p>Note: The Mobile Ballroom event will be “on break” for the summer. They hope to be back in touch when Mobile Ballroom events resume in the fall. http://www.mobileballroom.net/ Bill Bodenschatz; 440.878.0154; www.mobileballroom.net; prodisc@ameritech.net</p>
<p>Quirk Cultural Center—4th Friday</p>	<p>Fourth Friday of the month A party DJ'ed by Pam Burton at the Quirk Cultural Center, 1201 Grant Avenue, Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223; 330-971-8425. The crowd is fun and the dance floor is great. It starts at 7:30 with a lesson from 7:30-8:00. The dancing starts at 8:00 with continuous dancing until 10:30. There is a "light snack" around 8:30. The cost is \$8.00 per person (less than the cost of a movie and a whole lot more fun!). This is not a dress-up affair. Anything goes except jeans. 1201 Grant Ave. Cuyahoga Falls OH, 330-971-8225. Check the website for each month's schedule http://cfo.cityofcf.com/website/web2/view.do?dir=parksandrec/quirk&tile=events.jsp</p>
<p>FRIDAYS and SATURDAYS and SUNDAYS</p>	
<p>Avon Oaks Ballroom-- certain Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays</p>	<p>Avon Oaks Ballroom-- 1401 North State Street, Girard, Ohio 44420 (Just Minutes Away From Route 11); 330-545-1951; http://www.avonoaksballroom.com/. Dance times: Friday dance--8- 11 p.m. (dance lessons \$5, 6-7:30 p.m. often with "Ballroom...With Style" with George Hawn); Saturday dance--8-11 p.m.; Sunday dance --4 -8 p.m. check out the schedule at http://www.avonoaksballroom.com/schedule.php.</p>
<p>Hudson Summer Music Nights (New 7/20/10)</p>	<p>Summer Music Nights at First & Main in Hudson (Fridays and Saturdays) are back and expanded to include Saturdays. This summer First & Main will be the place to enjoy FREE weekend entertainment for the entire family throughout July and August. Delivering everything from well-known area bands performing lively cover tunes and originals to classical ensembles, swing bands, interactive music and paint juggling for kids, this eight week series on the Green at First & Main is certain to provide entertainment to fit most everyone's interests. Plus, there will free giveaways and prize drawings every weekend! Summer Music Nights continues through August 28th. Free and open-to-the-public, entertainment will start at 7:00 p.m. on the Green at First & Main. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets. Plan to relax as the sun sets following an afternoon shopping adventure. You can even watch and listen from one of your favorite restaurant patios while having a leisurely summer dinner. For more information http://www.firstandmainhudson.com/Events/index.aspx</p> <p>July 23—Soul'd Out July 24—Zobapago & Brother Wolf July 30—Run Avril Run July 31—The University of Akron Steel Drum Quartet August 6—Colin Dussault's Blues Project August 7—The Brecksville Squares August 13—La Flavour August 14—The Men of Independence</p>
<p>SATURDAYS</p>	
<p>Cleveland Akron Swing & Hustle Club— 1st and 3rd</p>	<p>Cleveland Akron Swing & Hustle Club http://www.cashdanceclub.org/ Dances at All About Dancin' (AAD) studio 2115 Freeman Ave., Cleveland, OH 44113, (216) 479-0355 (1st Saturdays) and Cleveland Ballroom Company (CBC) 23500 Mercantile Rd, Suite G, Beachwood OH 44122 (off I-271 & Chagrin Blvd.) (3rd</p>

<p>Saturdays)</p>	<p>Saturdays). Basic dance lesson from 8:00-8:40 p.m. (free to club members). Dance starts at 8:45 p.m. Dance: members \$6 and nonmembers \$10.</p> <p>Dance Schedule 1st Saturday's at All About Dancing' Except December (No Dance) 3rd Saturday's at Cleveland Ballroom Company</p>
<p>Get Hep Swing Ltd.—last Saturday, 2nd Friday & some 1st Fridays</p>	<p>Get Hep Swing--First Friday of the month and Canton Metropolitan Center Grand Ballroom. Second Friday of the month at Lakewood Masonic. Last Saturday of every month at Bohemian National Hall.</p> <p>CANTON METROPOLITAN CENTER GRAND BALLROOM (1st Friday—check schedule) 601 Cleveland Ave NW Canton, OH parking available</p> <p>LAKEWOOD MASONIC TEMPLE (2nd Friday) 15300 Detroit Road Lakewood, OH 44107 parking available in the back</p> <p>BOHEMIAN NATIONAL HALL (last Saturday) 4939 Broadway Cleveland, OH 44127 parking available in the back</p> <p>COST: \$10/person, \$8/student. TIME: 8pm - 12am, LIVE Band & DJ music Get Hep Swing Jitterbug lesson from 8-9pm LOCATION: Bohemian National Hall (see Locations http://www.gethepswing.com/location.htm)</p> <p>http://www.gethepswing.com/events.htm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday, July 31, 8:00 p.m.--Blues Deville at Bohemian National Hall • Friday, August 13, 8:00 p.m.—Blue Lunch at Lakewood Masonic • Saturday, August 28, 8:00 p.m.—Madison Crawl at Bohemian National Hall • Friday, September 10, 8:00 p.m.—Hepcat Revival at Lakewood Masonic • Saturday, September 25, 8:00 p.m.—The Demetrius Steinmetz Band with featured vocalist Eileen Burns at Bohemian National Hall • Friday, October 8, 8:00 p.m.—Dave Kasper Quintet at Lakewood Masonic • Saturday, October 30, 8:00 p.m.—Hepcat Revival at Bohemian National Hall • Friday, November 12, 8:00 p.m.—Madison Crawl at Lakewood Masonic • Saturday, November 27, 8:00 p.m.—Boilermaker Jazz Band at Bohemian National Hall • Friday, December 10, 8:00 p.m.—Blues Deville at Lakewood Masonic • Saturday, December 25—no band
<p>American Dance Exchange East Side Salsa Social--2nd</p>	<p>East Side Salsa Social--2nd Saturday of the month American Dance Exchange, 767 Alpha Drive, Highland Hts., OH 44143 (off 271 Wilson Mills exit). The 2nd Saturday of each month from 7:00 PM-10:00 PM. Lessons from 7:00 PM-8:00 PM and open dancing after the lesson. Further information can be found on the web at ESSO.CO.NR http://esso.co.nr/ or call Tony</p>

Saturday New 6/23/10	at 216-849-4611 or Kim at 440-227-2781.
Lake Metroparks-- Painesville Township Park Community Center--2nd & 4th Saturdays	<p>Saturdays Ballroom dancing at the Painesville Township Park Community Center 1025 Hardy Rd., Painesville, OH 44077; (440) 354-3885</p> <p>Lake Metroparks presents Ballroom dancing at 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. or country dancing 7:30-11:30 p.m. (doors open at 7 p.m.) every Saturday night at the Painesville Township Park Community Center. Enjoy the nostalgia of dancing to the songs of yesteryear with great entertainment at one of Ohio's finest dance halls! Click here for schedule. For printable flyer, click here. In case of inclement weather, please call (440) 354-3885 after 3:00 pm on event day for possible dance cancellations. If there is no message indicating the dance has been cancelled, then the dance will go on as scheduled for that evening.</p> <p>Concessions stand open 7:00 to 10:15 pm. \$6 per person at the door (unless otherwise marked). Adults 18 and older. You can also download a schedule from http://ohiodance.webs.com.</p>
USA Dance Sandusky Chapter (generally last Saturday)	<p>This chapter just got started. Locations change. \$10 per person; \$5 USA Dance member. 7-11 p.m. Facebook page: http://www.facebook.com/pages/USA-Dance-Sandusky/51470067723. For information, email usadancesandusky@gmail.com.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YMCA (419-621-9622), 2010 W. Perkins Ave., Sandusky, OH 44870 • Elks Lodge 120 E. Adams Street, Sandusky, Ohio
Sherwood Dance schedule (Certain Fridays & Saturdays)	<p style="text-align: center;">Sherwood Dance</p> <p style="text-align: center;">960 Jacoby Rd., Copley; (330) 864-4484 \$6 per person</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dance Dates :</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sat. Aug 7th, Sat. Aug 14th Sat. Aug 21st, Sun. Aug 22nd (7:30 pm) Sat. Aug 28th, Sun. Aug 29th (7:30 pm) Sat. Sep 4th, Sat. Sep 11th, Sat. Sep 18th Sat. Sep 25th, Sun. Sep 26th (7:30 pm)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(All dances are at 8:30 pm unless noted otherwise.)</p> <p>I-77 to Ridgewood Rd. /Miller Rd. (Exit 133). Go ½ mile west on Ridgewood, Turn left onto Jacoby Rd. Go 1/4 mile south on Jacoby, Sherwood is on the right. If you are coming from Medina area, take SR # 18 east to I-77. Go south on I-77 to Exit 133 and follow the directions above. If you are coming from east of Akron, take I-76 west to I-77 north. Go north on I-77 to Exit 133 and follow the directions above.</p>
SUNDAYS	
Ohio Chapter USA Dance 1st Sunday Dances in Rocky River	<p>USA Dance Ohio Chapter 1st Sunday Dance Don Umerley Center 21016 Hilliard Blvd, Rocky River, OH</p> <p>Great news for USA Dance members: if you are a member of USA Dance your admission to Ohio Chapter's monthly dances is <u>free!!!</u> For those of you who haven't joined yet you can pay \$6 per month (\$72 per year) or become a member at the dance on Sunday and save. Social dancers can join for as little as \$25 per year.\$5 members / \$6 others, free refreshment. Dance 7-10 p.m. Dance dates for 2010: 1/3/2010, 2/7/2010, 3/7/2010, 4/11/2010, 5/2/2010, 6/6/2010, 7/11/2010, 8/1/2010, 9/12/2010, 10/12/2010, 11/7/2010, and 12/5/2010. For more information, contact</p>

	<p>Tom and Linda Ward lindatom51@roadrunner.com or 1-440-277-9364.</p> <p>Schedule posted on http://ohiodance.webs.com. Ohio USA Dance site: http://usadanceohio.org/</p>
Baila Duro (generally 1st Sundays)	<p>Baila Duro--Philippine American Hall, 1975 West Ridgewood Dr., Parma, OH 44134. Dance 6-9:30 p.m.; lesson 5-6 p.m. with Baila Duro staff. Cover: \$10 (lesson included). Music by: DJ Israel Diaz & Frankie Flores. Dress: Casual. www.bailaduro.com This is great fun if you like to salsa (a lot of it)!</p> <p>Testimony from Norm—"The dance put on by Baila Duro in Parma was fantastic. At least 150, likely more, were there dancing! People came from Pittsburgh and Columbus. Several Salsa Dance Instructors were there just to get out and dance! This is the best Salsa Event in NE.Ohio. Make sure you bring several shirt changes though, you are guaranteed to sweat through at least 2 of them."</p> <p>Baila Duro salsa social is a dance activity organized by dancers for dancers. It's a place to dance, dance, and dance...and also to network and mingle with fellow dancers and friends. Salsa will be played 90% with the other 10% of Cha Cha and Bachata.</p> <p>Baila Duro is now on Facebook! http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=12975319977&ref=ts</p>
Ballroom Dance Society	<p>Dances held generally on the first and third Sundays of each month, 7-10 p.m. at Lake Anna Hall, 542 W. Park Ave., Barberton, OH. This is a social dance club open to everyone, both singles and couples. Admission is \$6 for members and \$7 for guests. The dress code is suits of sport jackets for men and dresses or party attire for the ladies—no T-shirts, shorts, jeans or sneakers are permitted.</p> <p>Question posted 4/28/10: Does anyone know if this dance is still running?</p>
Here to Dance (2nd Sundays)	<p>Here to Dance at All About Dancin' (second Sundays of the month)—6:30-9:30 p.m. Admission \$7.00. Beginning hustle lesson 5:30-6:15 p.m. Call Brenda 216-407-6276 and Dale 216-663-5910 for more information. 2115 Freeman Ave., Cleveland, OH 44113. Lots of guys come—so ladies, you won't sit down! Dale takes requests, too!</p>
USA Dance North Coast Chapter 2nd Sunday Dance	<p>USA Dance North Coast Chapter 2nd Sunday Monthly Dance</p> <p>Ballroom dancing at the Painesville Township Park Community Center 1025 Hardy Rd., Painesville, OH 44077. 440-257-3649 http://www.ballroomdancingohio.org/.</p> <p>Cost \$5 for members of USA Dance Club; \$7 non-members. Beautiful big wooden dance floor! Dance 6:00-9:00 pm. The building has a beautiful dance floor, is connected with the Metro Parks in Lake county and right on the shores of Lake Erie. Any volunteers for dance exhibitions are welcome.</p> <p>Directions from West: Take Route 2 to Fairport-Nursery Rd. Exit and turn left on Fairport Nursery Rd. Continue straight after on stop sign. Turn right on Hardy Rd. and go to the end; turn left into Painesville Township Park.</p>
Kickin' Kountry—2nd and last Sunday (Added 4/28/10)	<p>Kickin' Kountry Ballroom Dance--10997 St Rt. 212 NE, Bolivar, OH 44612; 330-354-8129: http://www.kickinkountry.net/. Dances on the second and last Sunday of the month. The time is from 7:00-10:00pm and the cost is \$5 per person at the door.</p>
Youngstown	<p>USA Dance Youngstown Chapter 2015-- Saints Peter & Paul Ukrainian Orthodox</p>

<p>USA Dance schedule (3rd Sunday dances—except December)</p>	<p>Center, 1025 North Belle Vista Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio 44509; http://usadance2015.com/default.aspx 5:30 pm--dance lesson; 6:15 pm - 9:00 pm -- general dancing. Cost of dance and lesson--\$5.00 for USA Dance members; \$8.00 for non-members and guests; \$2.50 for students. Dance The night away To ballroom, Latin, swing & hustle. USA Dances are open to the public.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">January 17, 2010 February 21, 2010 March 21, 2010 April 18, 2010 May 16, 2010 June 20, 2010 July 18, 2010 August 15, 2010 September 19, 2010 October 17, 2010 November 21, 2010</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Don't forget the Event of the Year</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Snowflake Ball TBA Avon Oaks Ballroom</p>
<p>CBC Swing and Hustle dances (last Sunday) Added 12/21/09</p>	<p>Cleveland Ballroom Company Swing and Hustle dances—23500 Mercantile Rd, Suite G, Beachwood OH 44122 (off I-271 & Chagrin Blvd.). They will start about 5:30-6:00 (practice time) with dance 6:00-9:00. Some months there will be a lesson (I will keep you updated) The other months we will have a practice time prior to the dance. Scheduled for 2010: January 31, February 28 and March 28. Time: Practice Cost: \$8.00 with discount: -\$1.00 if you "show" a membership card from any dance club. Included: Snacks, (you can bring your own drinks or there will be soft drinks for sale). For more information, contact Ernie Virden at tvirden@neo.rr.com.</p>
<p>Guys Party Center (every Sunday) Added 4/14/10</p>	<p>Guys Party Center Singles Dance—500 E. Waterloo Rd., Akron, OH 44319; 330-724-6373; http://www.guyspartycenter.com/singles_dance.htm. The Singles dance is every Sunday night from 7:30 to 11:30 during winter hours (October - May) and from 8:00 - 12:00 during summer hours (June - September). All singles over 21 are welcome. Brad the DJ plays top 40 music and requests. (Marke Mark last Sunday of Month). Weekly door prizes. Free parking. No membership fees. Cocktails Reasonably priced. Admission is \$7.00. There is finger food, chips, and pretzels available with admission. Dress is casual. No ripped jeans or shorts allowed. (Thanks, Norm, for sending this! He said a friend went who stated that it is a very beautiful place inside and is well attended every week! In his own experience, he says "I went to Guys party Center Sunday and found the place to be (in my opinion) pleasant looking (not extravagant). They had a bar and a moderate dance floor with more than enough nicely set tables. The floor was acceptable and clean. It was generally just a Singles Meetup for (what seemed to be an over 50's group and not swing nor ballroom specifically). The modern popular tunes were being played though and, the volume was good so plenty of conversation was possible. If you want ballroom it's a "NO," if you want swing I would prefer Savannah's on Sunday by far. It's a good avenue for the "over 50's crowd."</p>
<p>MONDAYS</p>	
<p>Sunset Lounge</p>	<p>Tango lessons and milonga, 7-11 p.m. \$10 at Sunset Lounge, 1382 West 9th Street, Cleveland, OH 44113. (216) 535-0001. http://sunsetloungecleveland.com/</p>
<p>Youngstown USA Dance Ballroom</p>	<p>Ballroom Boogie Mad Hot Monday at "The Wedge", Wedgwood Plaza, 1743 S. Raccoon Road, Austintown, from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm Featuring Ballroom, Latin, Swing & Hustle. First Mondays of the month.</p>

Boogie on first Mondays	USA Dance Partners with the hottest night club in town, to promote the hottest Sport around... Ballroom Dancing. Dance is FREE and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.
TUESDAYS	
Case Western Reserve University Ballroom Dance Society (8/31/10-12/7/10) New 8/2/10	Case Western Reserve University Ballroom Dance Society —at Case Western Reserve University, under Leutner Commons in Case's North Residential Village. Tuesdays, August 31 - December 7 from 7:00 p.m.- 10:00 p.m. Have you wanted to learn to dance ballroom and thought you didn't have time, or couldn't afford lessons? Join the CWRU Ballroom Dance Society! We are a diverse group of students, faculty, and members of the Greater Cleveland dance community who meet to celebrate the joy of dancing. Joining CWRU BDS is a fun and affordable way to meet new people, learn to dance for social events as well as competition and membership is open to all. For more information visit our website, http://filer.case.edu/org/ballroom/ ; for registration/cost http://filer.case.edu/org/ballroom/lessoninfo.html . Happy Dancing!! Samara McCullough, Instructor/Coach, CWRU Ballroom Dance Society
YDance	YDance (The Youngstown West Coast Swing & Hustle Group) Every Tuesday Night. Beginners Lesson 6:45 pm Intermediate 7:20 pm. General Dancing 8 -10 pm. Ukrainian Orthodox Pavilion, 1025 N.Belle Vista Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio. mstern55@comcast.net
Rusty's Jazz Café Orchestra	"Rusty's Jazz Cafe Orchestra" Drummer/ Bandleader Jeff McDonald leads through classic Big Band Swing and Latin Hits EVERY Tuesday night at Club Degage(above Red Wells Restaurant) 301 River Rd, Maumee...Downbeat at 8pm..\$5 cover... There is a dance floor right next to the band, and last week we had tango, rhumba, cha cha cha, and foxtrot dancers grooving to our music. The music we play is from Jeff's personal library of over 2000 titles which he started collecting over 25 years ago , all original manuscripts, except for a few pop tunes we've added recently ..So, big band aficionados, and people who like listening and dancing to the real thing...this is your night ! A delicious Dinner Buffet is available also...This coming week they will be featuring what we consider to be the BEST SPAGHETTI IN TOWN, always served with 2 or 3 other sides plus garlic bread, tossed salad and dessert ! All for \$5 !!! Featuring the lovely and talented Dawn Manning, and her wonderful banquet room staff will give you the best food and drink service available anywherePlease feel free to ask her about renting this facility for wedding receptions, anniversaries, birthday parties, etc . AND , if you'd like a LIVE band, Jeff will custom tailor a group to fulfill the needs of your party and budget .. Buffet opens at 7 p.m. , band starts at 8 ... Jeff McDonld.
WEDNESDAYS	
Ohio's Northcoast Jitterbug Connection	Ohio's Northcoast Jitterbug Connection hosts dances every Wednesday at the Quirk Cultural Center, 1201 Grant Ave., Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223. Fee \$8. We have the largest wooden dance floor around! Each evening begins at 7:00 with dance lessons. Both beginner and advanced lessons are offered. From 7:30 to 10:00 we dance to the music of our Club DJ's. We play mostly East Coast R & B and oldie remakes. People keep coming back because they love the variety of music and its danceable beat. The very fiber of our club relies on volunteerism. E-mail us oncjdance@yahoo.com We will get back with you soon. Also check us out on the Summit County Calendar at http://www.summitcountycalendar.com , we are listed under "Arts/Theatre/Music" search "dance". If the weather looks threatening, please

	call the Quirk 330-971-8425 before you venture out to make sure they will be open. If they are open, we'll be there to greet you! Website http://www.oncjc.org/ .
John Carroll University	John Carroll University Salsa Party --Join Reid and Linda (Cleveland Swing and Salsa) every Wednesday from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in DJ Lombardo Student Union in the lower level Fitness Room, the Rec Plex, on S. Belvoir. Cost is \$10.00. http://www.clevelandswingandsalsa.com/ Resumes September 1!
VENUES, WEBSITES, BANDS AND OTHER INFORMATION	
VENUES	
Holiday Day Inn (Rockside)—Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday	Holiday Inn Cleveland/Independence , 6001 Rockside Road, Independence, OH 44131; 216-524-8050. Live bands each week in Impulse Lounge. The dance floor is pretty crowded on Friday and Saturdays, so most of the serious dancers to on Wednesday and Thursdays. Bands such as La Flavour and Rumpelstiltskin are regularly featured. Bands start 9 or 9:30 p.m.
Cadillac Ranch	Cadillac Ranch -- 200 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44114. 216-685-0000; http://cadillacranchcleveland.com/ . They have bands here on a regular basis. I haven't been here myself, so anyone that has been here, let me know about the dance floor!
Brothers Lounge	Brothers Lounge , 11609 Detroit Ave., Cleveland, OH 44102-2342; 216-226-2767. http://www.brotherslounge.com/ They have live entertainment many nights of the week. This is a cool venue for beer, wine and martini. The stage is great for the band, but the beautiful wooden floor is usually covered with tables ☹
Scoundrels Bar and Grill	Scoundrels Bar and Grill —826 Front St., Berea, OH; 440-234-3455. http://www.myspace.com/scoundrelsbar for band information. Bands often start late, around 10 p.m. They have a decent sized dance floor and the food is cheap and good!
Mon Ami Winery (Friday, Saturday, Sunday)	Mon Ami Restaurant and Historic Winery —3845 E. Wine Cellar Rd., Port Clinton, OH 43452; 419-797-4445; info@monamiwinery.com ; http://www.monamiwinery.com/ . Friday and Saturday bands play 9 p.m.- 1 a.m.; Sunday bands play 2-6 p.m. Check out the band listing http://www.monamiwinery.com/entertainment.htm
Mustang Salliz CLOSED	Mustang Salliz, Kent Arena --1543 Streetsboro Plaza, ¼ mile east of Route 43, behind the Circle K gas station. Has anyone been here? Is this a good dance venue? http://www.kentarena.com/
Kickin' Kountry	Kickin' Kountry --10997 St Rt 212 NE, Bolivar OH 44612; 330-354-8129. Open Mon thru Sat, 6:30 pm to 2:00 am. See Calendar for details. http://www.kickinkountry.net/calendar.htm ; Map . For those of you closer to Bolivar than Cleveland—here's a venue for ballroom and line dance lessons and general dancing.
Parkview NiteClub--Saturdays	The Parkview NiteClub --1261 West 58th Street, Cleveland, OH; 216-961-1341; http://www.parkviewniteclub.com/ . Located at the end of West 58 th , 3 blocks north of Detroit Avenue; parking in the street. They have bands on Saturdays and decent bar food, too!
Akron Night Clubs	Akron Beacon Journal 8/24/06 Night Club Information Club: 7 Martini Lounge (4691 Dressler Road N.W., Canton) Hours: 4 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. Tuesday through Friday; 5:30 to 2:30 a.m. Saturday; open for private parties Sunday and Monday Dancing: Thursday, Friday and Saturday Information: 330-649-7777; www.7martinilounge.net

Music: House and up-tempo Tuesday-Thursday. Top 40, R&B, techno jazz and reggae on Friday and Saturday

Cover: free to \$5

Age: 21

Drinks: \$1.50 on special nights to \$10

Food: during club hours

Special promotions: Flirt Fridays

Most crowded night: Saturday

Club: Bungalow Five: (2511 Romig Road, Akron)

Hours: 9 p.m. to 3 a.m.

Dancing: Friday and Saturday

Information: 330-608-8428

Music: hip-hop and R&B

Cover: \$5 to \$10

Age: 21 Friday; 23 women, 25 men on Saturdays

Food: None

Special promotions: \$2 Tuesdays, Friday free before midnight Saturday, free before 11 p.m. (women, 23 and older and men, 25 and older)

Most crowded night: Saturday

Club: Cotton Club (1056 S. Main St., Akron)

Hours: 9 p.m. to 2:30 a.m.

Dancing: Friday and Saturday

Information: 330-996-0990

Music: Latin, rap and R&B

Cover: free to \$5

Age: 18

Food: No

Special promotions: Friday Latin Night

Most crowded night: Saturday

Club: Fat Tuesday's, club is being remodeled, new club name is Whiskey Dick's Barroom (1 W. Exchange St., Akron)

Hours and dancing: 9 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. Friday and Saturday

Information: 330-434-0046

Music: hits, hip-hop and R&B

Cover: free to \$5

Age: 18 women; 21 men

Food: during club hours

Most crowded night: Saturday

Club: Groove Shack (inside Jillian's, 363 N. Main St., Akron)

Hours: 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Dancing: Thursday through Saturday

Information: 330-252-0085

Music: greatest hits; hip-hop and R&B

Cover: No

Age: 21

Food: until 1 a.m. at Jillian's

Special promotions: No

Most crowded night: Saturday

	<p>Club: Interbelt (70 N. Howard St. Akron) Hours: 9 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Sunday; 10 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. Thursday; 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. Friday; 9 p.m. to 3:15 a.m. Saturday; Closed Tuesday Dancing: nightly Information: 330-253-5700; www.interbelt.com Music: '70s, '80s, '90s and current hits Cover: \$5 Age: 18 to party, 21 to drink Food: No Most crowded night: Monday</p> <p>Club: Mango's (271 S. Main St., Akron) Hours and dancing: 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Wednesday through Saturday Information: 330-374-3331; http://mangosniteclub.com Music: hip-hop, R&B and party favorites Cover: free to \$5 and up Age: 18 to party, 21 to drink Drinks: \$5 and up Food: available during club hours at Panini's Special promotions: Saturday thong contest and teen night on Sunday, Wednesday college ID night Most crowded night: Saturday</p> <p>Club: Posh (1 W Exchange St., Akron) Dancing hours: 9 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. Thursday, Friday, Saturday Information: 330-253-7674; www.posh-niteclub.com Music: '80s, '90s and current music Cover: free to \$3 depending on the happenings Age: 18 to party; 21 to drink Drinks: \$3 to \$8 Food: until 11 p.m. Special promotions: Thursday's College Night. Live music in the Post Bistro on Friday starting at 10 p.m. Most crowded night: Thursday</p> <p>Club: Roseto (627 S. Arlington St. Akron) Hours: 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Dancing: Friday and Saturday Information: 330-724-4228 Music: hip-hop and R&B Cover: free to \$3 Age: 19 to party, 21 to drink Food: No Special promotions: karaoke on Wednesday Most crowded night: Saturday</p>
WEBSITES	
Websites for other weekend entertainment	<p>Cleveland area: http://www.cleveland.com/clubs/</p> <p>Akron area: http://www.ohio.com/mld/ohio/entertainment/</p>

Websites on ballroom dancing	<p>Ballroomdancers.com: http://www.ballroomdancers.com/ Learn dance steps and link to a lot of great resources (shoe vendors, etc.)</p> <p>DanceVision: http://www.dancevision.com/. Find great instructional videos, music and links to other resources.</p>
Websites for Argentine tango	<p>Where to Tango in Cleveland--http://www.neotango.net/page5.html</p> <p>Good sites</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • www.todotango.com • http://totango.net/ttindex.html • Online Tango Community Network http://tangoconnections.ning.com/ • Tango Music Website http://www.tangoconnections.net/ <p>Northeast Ohio</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timmy Tango--www.tangocleveland.com • KB & Carmen--www.kbandcarmentango.com/ • Guillermo & Sherrie--http://www.tangorush.com/ • Dr. Tango: Jeanette Potts--www.doctortango.net/ • Anita Converse--www.dancerinyou.com <p>Tango discussion group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tangoconnections.ning.com (thanks, Tom, for providing this!)
Websites for salsa	<p>Tropical Cleveland—They list venues and events for salsa and other types of Latin dancing! http://www.tropicalcleveland.com/</p>
BANDS	
Websites for good dancin' bands	<p>Give me your ratings to the bands that YOU see!</p> <p>★★★★=Great dancing band—we want dance to almost anything they play! ★★★ =Very good, we like dancing to them, but not everything ★★ = Good music, but not the best for dancing ★ =Music is OK, but we sit most of the time No stars=Don't go!</p> <p><i>Amy's ratings</i>—high ratings are based on bands that play a variety of good dance tunes (if they play Latin or ballroom, that is a real plus!), good dance tempos and reasonable song times (I don't like 6 minutes songs or medleys that include lots of songs with the same tempo!)</p> <p>Fabulous Voices http://www.fabvoices.net/ A variety of dance music, including R&R, R&B, Latin, Blues, and Jazz. We dance West Coast swing, East Coast swing, Latin, hustle. I've known these guys since about 2003—they are my favorite Akron area band! We see them at the GetAway Pub and Grotto in Tallmadge. Amy rating: ★★★★★</p> <p>Cruisin'-- http://www.thebandcruisin.com/. We think this band is great! We listen to them a lot at Savannah's (they play there on many Sundays and Wednesdays) and Carrie Cerino's. Ron Howard has a great voice. Nearly everything they play is danceable—we have been able to West coast swing, East coast swing, hustle, cha cha, rumba, night club two-step! Amy rating: ★★★★★</p> <p>Swamp Boogie Band http://www.swampboogieband.com/ Blues, R&B, and rock. They are regulars at Savannah's and play a lot of West Coast swing, East Coast and night club two step.</p>

Amy rating: ★★★★★

Tony Koussa Jr. Band <http://www.tonykoussa.com/> They specialize in many styles of music such as Rhythm & Blues, Jazz, Rock, Blues, Funk, and Fusion. Nearly everything they play is danceable—West/East Coast Swing, night club two-step, and occasionally hustle, rumba, and cha cha! Tony plays saxophone and guitar and has a smooth bluesy voice. We hear them mostly at Savannah's.

Amy rating: ★★★★★

The Chosen Few Band <http://chosenfewonline.com/index.html> This is a huge band—ten members. They have three vocalists, sax, conga drums, guitars, etc. They play hustle, Cha Cha, night club two-step and swing. This is a fun band with high energy!

Amy rating: ★★★★★

Time Trax Band <http://www.timetraxband.com/>. Time Trax performs a large variety of dance music to satisfy nearly any audience. They can play 1950's & 60's Rock-N-Roll, 70's, Disco, 80's and today's current hits. Time Trax is known for their energetic performances, sharp stage attire and fabulous sound and light show. Ed and I heard them at the Berea Oktoberfest in 2007—a lot of really danceable music, and a huge variety!

Amy rating: ★★★★★

Remember When <http://www.rememberwhenohio.com/> We have been unable to walk into several places because they have a huge following that packs the joint! They do oldies, Motown, disco, etc.—so we do hustle, East coast swing, West coast swing, and night club two-step. The lead singer is very charismatic. We have heard (or tried to hear them) at Savannah's, Doc and Louie's and places in the Akron area.

Amy rating: ★★★★★

Lil Eddy and the Boilermakers <http://www.liledyandtheboilermakers.com/>. Lil Eddy himself added this recommendation! He says that they have a complete swing show, plus ad cha chas and mambo's! They are mainly based in the Akron area. Hey, Eddy, thanks for the web site! And, thanks Janice and Neil, for your rating!

Janice and Neil rating: ★★★★★

Run Avril Run <http://www.runavrilrun.com>. This is mostly an east-side Cleveland band, but they occasionally appear on the west-side. They are high-energy and have a great sound. They play pop/rock, disco, Motown, wedding standards, country, and classic rock. We heard them at Sly Fox, but they can also be seen at the Boneyard in Mayfield Heights and at special events.

Amy rating: ★★★

Frank and Dean and Then Some

<http://www.freewebs.com/scottbrotherton/frankdean.htm>. These two guys dress up like Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin. They even joke around with each other like the ol' Rat Pack! We see them at Savannah's on Monday nights. Depending on how much floor space we get, Ed and I have managed to foxtrot, rumba, cha cha, mambo, West coast swing, East coast swing and night club two-step!

Amy rating: ★★★

Lawless <http://www.lawlesscountry.com/home.html>. Ed and I heard these guys at the Berea rib fest. Mostly country, but some rock as well. Good West Coast swing

and night club two step. A great full sound and terrific vocalists. They are at the Willoughby Brewing Company at least once a month, Savannah's, and at the Dusty Armadillo in Rootstown.

Amy rating: ★★

Spazmatics <http://www.spazmatics.org>. This is a high energy band that performs 80's music. The band members dress like nerds! Ed and I heard them at the Berea Oktoberfest (2008)—they had the crowd rockin'. They often play at the Loose Moose, Willoughby Brewing Company and Scoundrels.

Amy rating: ★★

Shout! <http://www.shoutband.com/> Almost two bands in one—a Motown “Legends of Soul” set and songs from Big Band, R&B, Rock-n-Roll, Motown, 70's disco, Funk, 80's pop. They play a lot of different places and special events.

Amy rating: ★★

Heart and Soul <http://www.heartandsoulshow.com/>. Music ranges from R & B, rock, Motown, disco, funk, 80s pop to today's current hits. We heard them at Savannahs and got a lot of dancing in. They have a male and female singer, both great!

Amy rating: ★★

Real Life featuring Becky Boyd <http://www.myspace.com/beckyboydmusic> We love the song “Sugar Cookie Man” which is a delightful foxtrot. Becky has a great voice, suited to jazz. We do mostly swing and night club two-step. We hear her at Savannah's.

Amy rating: ★★

Uptown Cats <http://www.freewebs.com/uptowncats/> Ed and I heard these guys at the Holiday Inn at Independence—there are only three of them, but they sound great. We didn't stay very long, but we danced hustle, west coast swing, night club 2-step, rumba and a samba! They play Motown, pop and other styles.

Amy rating: ★★

Jim Fry rating: ★★

Wallace Coleman Band <http://www.wallacecoleman.com/>. He plays a Chicago style blues which is great for West Coast Swing. Ed and I have heard him at a now closed bar a while ago, but he also plays at Savannah's.

Amy rating: ★★

Fleshcoat Featuring Dr. E <http://www.myspace.com/giveusfreerecords> They have a good range of songs, including disco and Motown. We do hustle, East coast and West coast swing, night-club two-step and even an occasional rumba and cha cha! The lead singer is highly spirited and sometimes comes out on the floor and dances with the crowd. However, they had the oddest rendition of Mustang Sally...

Amy rating: ★★

KG Blues—(can't find a web site) almost everything they play is “West Coastable” or “night club two-stepable.” We've seen them at Savannah's.

Amy rating: ★★

2nd Avenue Project <http://www.2ndavenueband.com/> I haven't heard them yet (but I did listen to some clips off of YouTube!), but I know one of the band members, John Rindy, and everything he does is quality work! They have played at the Rock and

Roll Hall of Fame! They mostly play in the west Pennsylvania/east Ohio area.
Amy rating: ★★★

Dave C. and the Sharptones <http://www.daveandthesharptones.com/>. A fun Motown, blues band. A lot of West Coast and East Coast swing. We've seen them at Savannah's and Sawmill Creek.
Amy rating: ★★★

The GeezeCats <http://www.geezecats.com/> This is a fun band that plays lively oldies tunes—a lot of East coast swing! They have a shtick where they decorate that stage like your grandmother's living room filled with cats and even have some "costume" changes. We see them a lot at Savannah's.
Amy rating: ★★★

Ace Molar <http://www.agemolar.com/>. Ace Molar is a high octane rock-n blues band featuring Todd Meany (from Fox8 News in the morning) performing danceable hits from great artists like J. Geils Band, Rolling Stones, Blues Brothers, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Wilson Pickett and other artists. We heard them with Bob and Linda and Dan and Phyllis at the Lampliter Lounge in Parma Heights—and they do play very danceable music!
Amy rating: ★★★

Allergic to Katz <http://allergictokatz.com/home.cfm>. This band's web site is hilarious! Especially if you think cats disguised as hot dogs and beer guzzling TV watchers and rock stars are funny. They classify themselves as a classic rock band, but a lot of it is very danceable! Ed and I heard them at Savannah's.
Amy rating: ★★

LaFlavour <http://www.laflavour.com/> They play a lot of songs with a disco beat, so it's hustle, hustle, hustle. Sometime they string lots of songs with the same disco beat together (exhausting, if you like to dance until the music stop!)! However, they have a great solid sound and are a fun band. They play at festivals, the Holiday Inn at Rockside, 365th Fighter Group, and lots of other places!
Amy rating: ★★

Cruisemasters (can't find a web site) They actually have a pretty good songlist. However, for some reason, Ed and I just don't feel inspired to do much dancing to this band—is it the energy level? There seems to be a bit of chit chat between songs. We hear them at Savannah's.
Amy rating: ★★

Ed Sarley and the Survivors http://edsarley.com/en_vivo.html If you look at his web site, Ed Sarley is in a lot of bands, including The GeezeCats. I think this is a fairly new band, however, because they didn't sound very tight. They still had a good song list and danceable tunes!
Amy rating: ★★

Dave Michaels and Music on a Mission Band They play Elvis and a lot of other oldies. The vocals and instrumentals were good, but for some reason, Ed and I were not inspired to do much dancing. I think it is because they play a little too fast for our dancing speed! We heard them at Savannah's.
Amy rating: ★★

Wyng-It <http://www.myspace.com/wyngitband> A classic rock band that plays some danceable tunes—a lot of Tom Petty, Stones and Beatles. Ed and I heard them at Savannah's—we thought they had a better first set (apparently they had a lot of requests) than the second set.

Amy rating: ★★

Armstrong Bearcat Band <http://www.armstrongbearcat.com/> A blues band that tends to play long songs! We mostly dance swing, but often end up sitting. We mostly see them at Savannah's.

Amy rating: ★★

Tumblin' Dice <http://www.tumblingdicemusic.com/> Ed and I call them the world's greatest garage band! However, lately, they have been growing on us—they have done a passable version of Doors tunes. They sometimes sound "pitchy." They are mostly classic rock, so we don't dance to everything, but we can do swing and night-club two-step. We hear them at Savannah's and Doc and Louie's.

Amy rating: ★★

Clayton Brother Band <http://www.myspace.com/claytonbrothersband> They list themselves as "primitive rock and roll"—a lot of the music is from the 60's (east coast swing and same tempo). They are fun guys—we heard them at Doc and Louie's in North Olmsted.

Amy rating: ★★

Colin Dussault's Blues Project <http://www.colindussault.com/>. Sometimes depends on the mood they are in—a lot of West Coast swing when they are playing blues. They have a big following, so the dance floor often fills up! Regulars at Savannah's and other places.

Amy rating: ★★

Eddie and the Edsels <http://www.eddieandtheedsels.com/> This is an oldies band that I used to really enjoy, but thought they were lacking energy the last time I saw them. They are a great oldies band, but we hear that they are branching out to other kinds of music. They play mostly swing. They are regulars at Carrie Cerino's and Savannah's (on Mondays).

Amy rating: ★★

BFD Blues Band <http://www.bfdbluessband.com/>. Monica Robbins, health reporter, is the lead singer. Much of this band's music is a little "too fast" for dancing, but you can still get some West Coast and East Coast swing out of them! We haven't seen them lately, but I know they were at the rib fest over Memorial Day weekend.

Amy rating: ★★

Tailor Made Classics <http://www.tailormadeclassics.com/> This is a 50's and 60's band that plays a lot of Motown and doo-wop. A couple of the members were part of the Inkspots! This band sometimes has great harmony, but sometimes they get a little pitchy! We heard them at the Holiday Inn at Belden Village (where they regularly have live bands and a small dance floor).

Amy rating: ★★

The Stone River Band <http://www.thestoneriverband.com/acorn.php?page=home>. A 60's/70's band that plays a lot of cool music, if you like it listen. A lot of dancers didn't think they played much danceable stuff (including me and Ed). We heard them

	<p>at Savannah's. Amy rating: ★</p> <p>The Knock-offs http://www.theknock-offs.com/ You can knock this one off your list of must-see bands. They have a decent looking song list, but made everything sound the same (fast and unrecognizable). This was the first time that we left in the first set without dancing! We say them at Ace's Grill in North Ridgeville (by the way—they have a \$5 cover charge, which they may waive if you are eating dinner there). Amy rating: 1/2★</p> <p>ADD YOUR RATING!</p> <p>Disco Inferno http://www.discoinfernoband.com/home.htm. I have not heard this band, but Ed has. They wear funky 70's costumes and play a great disco beat! Amy rating: ?? (haven't heard them yet)—anyone want to weigh in?</p>
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DANCE TIPS FORUM:

Okay—this is a new feature to this newsletter. Occasionally, people ask questions about dancing. I thought it might be worth getting your two cents about this question. *Email me with your tips! I'd like to add YOUR two cents, too!*

"How do you decide what dance to do when you hear music?"

- Amy's two cents:
 1. Ask yourself what kind of dances can you do?
 2. Then, ask yourself, does this music "fit"* into any kind of the dances that you do?
 3. Then, count to see if the tempo is suited to the dance that you think might fit. Do you think you can dance it at that speed?
 4. If yes, then, dance it!
 5. Alternate plan: see what other people are dancing and do what looks good to you!

*"Fit" means whether or not the character of the music fits the character of the dance:

Dance	General character	Songs
East coast swing	Happy, bouncy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Many Beach Boys songs • Pink Cadillac (Springsteen) • Some Kind of Wonderful (Huey Lewis & the News)
Hustle	Think disco! Driving beat with a flowing melody	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donna Summers songs • Get Down Tonight (Kool and the Gang) • Can't Get You Out of My Head (Kylie Minogue)
Night club two-step	"Prom" music; slow, romantic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When a Man Loves a Woman (Percy Sledge) • Almost Paradise (Ann Wilson/Mike Reno) • Lady in Red (Chris DeBurgh)
Rumba	Latin, sensual	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dream Lover (Bobby Darin) • Amado Mio (Pink Martini) • My Maria (Brookes and Dunn)
Waltz	3/4 time; wistful; slower than Viennese Waltz	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come Away With Me (Norah Jones) • Sandy's Song (Dolly Parton) • Tennessee Waltz (Anne Murray)
West coast swing	Bluesy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black Velvet (Alannah Myles) • Follow Me (Uncle Kracker) • You Can Leave Your Hat On (Joe Crocker)
Salsa/mambo	Latin, lively	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mambo #5 (Lou Bega) • Micaela (Sonora Carruseles)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maracaibo Oriental (Beny More)
Cha Cha	Latin, slower, "cha cha cha" rhythm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smooth (Santana) • Let's Get Loud (Jennifer Lopez) • I Need to Know (Marc Anthony)
Foxtrot	4/4 time; happy; flows	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frank Sinatra songs • A Fine Romance (Ella Fitzgerald) • I'm Beginning to See the Light (Bobby Darin)