

increased attendance so the numbers this season were a great help to hopefully have them back for the 2020 season. I hear good things from the vendors and from those in attendance. For those of you who requested they open half hour before dancing starts, check. I have it on my list to discuss that with all that come back. I want to thank Pizza Parliament Food Truck, Aloha Hawaiian Shaved Ice, Yodel's Frozen Yogurt, Smokin' on the Lakeshore Food Truck and Dominos's Pizza for taking the time to be a part of *Dancing into Sunset* - Fruitport.

So after such a successful third season, yes, we will be back for season four in 2020. We are changing things up a bit and rotating the bands around. It is a hard decision to not have back some from the past year, but also want to give opportunity for those on the list waiting to get in. As in the past holiday issues, I like to give a "tentative teaser" line-up (subject to change). Day of week stays the same - Thursday, 7:00 to 9:30 p.m., same place Pomona Park at the Bandshell in Fruitport, Third and Park Street, with rain location nearby inside (still need to confirm space). We will wait until June to start the season, so mark your calendar for Thursday, June 4th when kick-off with hometown favorite Cheryl, Woody and Tom who always play to a packed Pomona Park, "The Silverado Band". We will have 50' & 60's rock-and-roll bands, classic rock bands, country nights, two nights of swing bands with new instructors teaching country line dancing, swing dancing and rumba to cha-cha moves that you will not want to miss. A new surprise DJ all of you know and will love to see will be behind the soundboard playing your favorites. "Impact Entertainment", due to schedule conflicts, will not be joining us for the 2020 season, but so appreciate them for being a part of *Dancing into Sunset* since the beginning. If it wasn't for them, there would be no *Dancing into Sunset*. So please, if you need a family owned DJ for your event (wedding, graduation, retirement party, etc.) make sure to contact Meghan: <https://www.facebook.com/ImpactEntertainmentMobileDjServices/>.

And there you have it folks, a great third season in the books and a fourth season shaping up with old and new joining together for this once again FREE Fruitport Lions Club event. I must remind all, that back in 2017 when the idea for *Dancing into Sunset* came about, it was a group effort with the Fruitport Lions Clubs, the Village of Fruitport, "Impact Entertainment Mobil DJ Services" and myself, to get *Dancing into Sunset* off the ground. Together we work for the better of our community to bring dance and music to all, and we will continue to do so right into 2020. Many thanks once again to all the volunteers and dancers who helped me either set up or take down and sweep up the shredded rubber. Your dedication week after week was so appreciated! The Fruitport Lions Club, The Village of Fruitport, The Storage Group, Ye Olde, Fruitport Orchard Market, Tractor Supply, Wesco, Ginman Tires, Leo Valdez, Sr. (photographer), Diane Campbell (photographer), Community Foundation of Muskegon, Andy O'Riley and the MuskegonChannel.com, as well as anonymous donors, all were part of seeing *Dancing into Sunset* - Fruitport succeed. As always, we are interested in adding new sponsors. Please send any new sponsors my way to: [Dancingintosunset@aol.com](mailto:Dancingintosunset@aol.com). Also mark your calendar now and plan to attend this wonderful FREE community event put on for the community, by the community, for all of us, to enjoy right here in our own backyard of Pomona Park.

It warms my heart volunteering my time and watching so many enjoy *Dancing into Sunset* - Fruitport. To see such a mix of ages gathering together to either just sit and listen or get up and dance to the music. It has become "date night", "meet new people night", "see those you have not seen in a while night". We celebrated birthdays, anniversaries and even remember those that have passed who once were a regular at *Dancing into Sunset* - Fruitport. It is because of all of you I do what I do.

Enjoy the holidays, watch *Dancing into Sunset* - Fruitport facebook page for updates, and we will see everyone in the Spring of 2020 at *Dancing into Sunset* - Fruitport. Until then, enjoy all the photos that Leo Valdez, Sr., Diane Campbell, and myself have taken over the summer. Thank you to the Fruitport Area News for all that you do for our community, keeping us all informed.

## DANCING INTO SUNSET FRUITPORT 2019



Opening Night in May - Bill and Carol still dedicated to Dancing into Sunset



Todd and Lori traveled from GR to see the 6 Pak Band



Simply DANCING



New to Dancing into Sunset - The Trixy Tang Band



The Trixy Tang Band



These smiles say it all on how much the community enjoys going to Dancing into Sunset



Swing Dance lessons



Dennis Noren and dance partner



Items collected at Fruitport Orchard Market for our troops



Scout participation at Military Night



Military Night - Thank you to all military who join Dancing into Sunset each year