

# Murder on the Dancefloor

## Introduction

*Murder on the Dancefloor* is set in small-town USA, in the 1950s, when Flo's Diner is the place to be. It's the most popular place in town, and the local hangout for teens and adults alike. Neon lights flash out front, the checkered dancefloor sparkles inside, and the seats are polished to perfection.

Tonight the diner is set to host the town's annual Dance-off competition. Famous celebrities have arrived at the event to help judge, while many keen locals and newcomers wish to participate. As the sun sets in the sky, the diner fills with people and the night begins. The dancefloor is flashing, milkshakes and burgers are being served constantly.

But suddenly a terrifying scream echoes throughout the diner! Local bad-boy, Ricky Johnson has been found dead in the male restroom by his best friend, Mikey Reed. Mikey found Ricky on the bathroom floor, with a fatal knife wound to his chest.

With the diner sealed by the police so the culprit can't escape, Flo decides to press on with the Dance-off contest regardless. But unanswered questions hang in the air. Who is the mystery figure come from out of the past? Why has cutlery been disappearing from the diner? Why is a powerful corporation so keen to take over the diner? And, of course,

**Just who did commit  
*Murder on the Dancefloor?***

## What is included when you buy *Murder on the Dancefloor*?

- A step-by-step guide on how to run the game.
- Character booklets for each guest, including background, goals and objectives, rules and special abilities.
- Items for each guest.
- Handouts and other essential items.
- The solution!

### How does *Murder on the Dancefloor* work?

*Murder on the Dancefloor* has been written for 14 to 20 guests – plus the host or co-ordinator. The step-by-step guide explains which characters to omit should you have fewer than 20 guests (you do need at least 14, however). Here's how that works:

Number of guests	Male characters	Female characters	Characters that can be played by either sex
14	5	6	3
15	5	6	4
16	5	6	5
17	5	6	6
18	5	6	7
19	6	6	7
20	6	6	8

*Murder on the Dancefloor* runs over the course of three or four hours and is particularly suited to a buffet meal. One person is the Diner Manager, and acts as organizer and co-ordinator, responsible for making sure everything runs smoothly and that all the guests have the information they need.

The guests are all present at Flo's Diner for the annual Dance-off contest. They have their own goals and agendas, and how they choose to achieve these goals is up to them. ***Murder on the Dancefloor*** is an evening of romance, gang rivalry, dancing and murder!

### **Where can I get Murder on the Dancefloor?**

***Murder on the Dancefloor*** is available from [www.freeformgames.com](http://www.freeformgames.com). We accept all major payment methods.

When you purchase the game, you'll be taken to a page where you can download it right away. We will also email you a download link and password, so you can come back to the site and collect your game later if that's more convenient.

### **What if I don't like Murder on the Dancefloor?**

No product is perfect for everyone. We know that and you know that and that's why we offer a cast-iron, no-quibble guarantee. If you're not completely satisfied with ***Murder on the Dancefloor***, let us know within 30 days and we will refund you.

# The Weekly Herald

## Dance-Off Competition Tonight

It's that time of year once again... This year's local dance-off competition will be taking place at Flo's Diner, tonight! So make sure you come on down and sign up! Entry is \$20 per couple. Celebrity guest judges, including TV star Steven Starling and world-famous singer Mel Rivers, will judge this year's dance-off – the celebrities may even be willing to sign an autograph or two. So make sure you come on down to support your local business and enter the competition. Last year's winners Eric Anthony and Sally Larvis are sure to be tough competitors this time around. As, no doubt, will former champions from days of old, local doctor Peter Hodge and his wife Penny.

### ***VICIOUS ATTACK ON PENNY HODGE***

Two nights ago local resident Penny Hodge was reportedly attacked outside her home. Mrs Hodge stated that she was inside her house at around 7:00pm when she heard someone outside, and went to look. It was then that she saw what she describes as “one or possibly two young hoodlums – probably Ricky Johnson and a crony – wearing black masks and vandalizing my car.”

After being spotted, one of the vandals attacked Mrs Hodge. The culprits currently remain unknown; and anyone who has any information should report to Detective Hudson, who is leading investigations.

### ***U.S. GAS CORP. SEEKS NEW SITES***

The booming U.S. Gas Corporation is spreading out across America, so look out for us – one of our gas stations will be coming soon to a town near you! Business opportunities will be plenty, for our hard-working partners.

### ***20 Years of Flo***

Flo's Diner is marking its 20th anniversary this year, and what a twenty years it has been! Make sure you come on down to support this local business, which has continued to thrive over this period.

Our local lady and long-time owner (of the business: she rents the premises from a landlord) Flo Higgins has been through ups and downs since opening her establishment. After facing early troubles at the diner, with thefts and sudden departures of staff, Flo has soldiered through, and along with her newest team of staff is looking forward to the continued success of her diner.

### ***DALLAS FULL OF IDEAS***

Local business tycoon Dallas Anthony has promised us exciting money-making ideas which will lead to a new wave of attractions in our small town. Though Dallas has stated that all plans remain confidential, the scheme is sure to be big, and up to the Anthony family's usual high standard.

# ***Murder on the Dancefloor – Cast List***

## **Diner staff**

- **Flo Higgins:** Single mother and owner of Flo's Diner
- **Pat Larvis:** Janitor at Flo's Diner
- **Bernie Reese:** The Diner's chef
- **Jamie Shephard:** Worker at Flo's diner
- **Clare Simpson:** Hardworking waitress at Flo's Diner

## **Teens**

- **Eric Anthony:** Competitive reigning champion of the Dance-off with Sally, younger brother of Dallas
- **Bailey Higgins:** Flo's only child
- **Becky Johnson:** Younger sister of Ricky Johnson, butter wouldn't melt in her mouth
- **Sally Larvis:** Reigning champion of the Dance-off with Eric and daughter of Pat
- **Joseph Marks:** Local greaser and enemy of Ricky Johnson
- **Crystal Reed:** Local greaser girl
- **Mikey Reed:** Ricky's dashing best friend, and twin brother of Crystal
- **Corey Rogers:** Youngest and newest member of Ricky's gang

## **Locals**

- **Dallas Anthony:** Local business tycoon
- **Penny Hodge:** Local respectable citizen
- **Dr Peter Hodge:** Local physician and protective husband of Penny Hodge
- **Detective Hudson:** Local law enforcer

## **Visitors**

- **Mel Rivers:** Famous singer in town to judge the Dance-off
- **Steven Starling:** Famous TV personality in town to judge the local Dance-off
- **Percy Wilson:** A traveler passing through Flo's Diner

