Kathi's Dance & Gym Center, LLC

Newsletter December 2014



Absences: Attendance is very important and instrumental to the development of your child's skills. If a student is not able to attend, we ask that you please call the office to report his/her absence. There are no refunds for missed classes.

Tuition Due Date: Tuition is always due the first class of the month. A 10% late fee will be applied to all tuition o the 16th. If you would like to set up credit card automatic payment, please stop at the office and someone can help you. We need a new authorization form each year. There are no deductions or credits for missed classes. Withdrawals must be made before the first class of the each month or you will be billed for the entire month.

Observation: We will have parent observation the last class in December. Parents are welcome to sit in and observe the classes. Please remember you are in a learning environment and we must keep noise to a minimum. Parent observation will also be held in February, and April.

Website: Please check the website regularly. We will try to keep all new forms and papers updated on the website for you. Pictures from "Alice in Wonderland" should be on the website soon.

Forms of Payment: We accept cash, checks, and MasterCard, Visa and Discover. If you are interested, we can set up automatic charge of your tuition each month on your card. Stop at the counter if you would like to fill out the form for automatic payment.

Constant Contact: We have started sending some emails through a website called Constant Contact. This service allows us to know if you are getting our emails or if we have the wrong email address for you. We hope this helps with everyone getting studio information about upcoming events.

Food in waiting areas: We would like for all food to be consumed on non-carpeted areas. With the new carpet being installed, we want to really try to keep it as nice as possible. The small dance room downstairs has become a locker room in a way. We have put benches in there for the girls to sit on and it would be great if this room could be used for eating.

CHARLIE HALBERT HAS ARRIVED!!

On Tuesday, November 25, 2014, Kathi's son Kevin and his wife Paula were blessed with Charles Webb Halbert. He was born at 4:32 a.m., weighed 8 pounds 4 ounces, and was 21 inches long. This is Kathi's third grandchild and she is beyond thrilled Charlie is home and doing very well. Kevin and Paula could use a little more sleep.







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CECCHETTI OHIO BALLET DAY AT KATHI'S

Kathi's Dance and Gym Center will be hosting Cecchetti Ohio Ballet Day here at the center on Sunday, February 15th. All students who have passed an exam are asked to please attend as much of the workshop as possible. Classes in ballet, jazz, pointe, and bonus classes such as hip hop, Zumba, contemporary, and musical theater will be offered to varied levels for all Cecchetti students. Bro-

chures and registration forms will be out shortly. Spring Cecchetti exams will be held at All About Dance by Kristen, in Stowe, Ohio the weekend of February 27— March 1, 2015. Students eligible for this exam will be contacted later in December and small group classes will be organized at that time and begin in January, after the holidays.

"To touch, to move, to inspire. This is the true gift of dance."

~Aubrey Lynch

"MIRACLE ON EASY STREET"

Miracle on Easy Street will be held December 13-16 at Powers Auditorium. Please call 330-743-8555 for ticket information. Everyone at Kathi's wishes the best of luck to all the students participating in this wonderful production. It is a must on your Christmas list of Holiday traditions and will be enjoyed by all! Congratulations to Megan Cleland, choreographer of Easy Street Productions, for another great year. Best of luck to the following participating students: Kassie Kudler, Emily Masluk, Jennifer Mullally, Caitlin Slattery. Former students dancing in the production are: Megan Cleland, Danielle Goodin, Jenn Horn, Abbey Kunce, Jacqueline Oddo, and Marie Stephenson.

"MIRACLE ON 34TH STREET"

Kathi's Dance & Gym Center will be presenting "Miracle on 34th Street" on December 14th at Mohawk High School Auditorium at 2:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. The studio began this Christmas tradition in 1997 and it was originated to become a benefit for someone in our community who is praying for a "Miracle" in their life. It is an even that truly exemplifies the true meaning of Christmas; the message of love, sharing, caring, and helping others. I would like the entire studio to make it a goal to sell out every ticket! Please just don't think of it as an even to just watch your child perform but remember it is a benefit dedicated to a worthy cause.

This year the Christmas show will benefit Rose Manning and her family. Rosie was born on April 22, 2014 and at 11 weeks of age, she was diagnosed with Biliary Atresia, a rare and life-threatening liver disease. Children with Biliary Atresia are born with clogged or damaged bile ducts, which prevents the liver from functioning properly. This disease ultimately destroys the liver. On September 2nd, Rosie was blessed to receive a part of a liver from a deceased donor and underwent a successful split-liver transplant. After several weeks in the hospital, Rosie has returned home with her family to continue her recovery.

While Rosie's condition still requires a great deal of medication and regular monitoring by her doctors, she has made tremendous progress over the last few months. Her future is bright, and she is likely to lead a long and normal life. She has been blessed to be surrounded by so much love and support from her community throughout this whole and support from her community throughout this whole process, and she and her family are so grateful.



DANCE LINE DINNER THEATER "WINTER GALA"

Once again this year the Company, Senior, Pre-Senior, and Teen line dancers will be holding a dinner theater evening in January. On January 24th at 6:30 p.m. at Fairview Arts and Outreach Center on Youngstown-Poland Road, the girls will be hosting an entertaining evening of dinner and dance. Choreography and planning is well underway for this special night. The girls will be per-



Open Hip Hop

Teen Jazz

forming solos and small group pieces at this event and will also be having a Chinese auction. This will be a fundraiser for the line girls to raise money to attend summer workshops. More information will follow, but please mark your calendar for this event. Reservations will be required.



UPCOMING DANCE EVENTS AND WORKSHOPS

Line Christmas Party—The dance lines will be having their Christmas party on Thursday, December 18th from 7:30—9:30 p.m. Please look for more detailed information in your mailbox regarding the gift exchange and food.

ODM Convention in Newark—will be the weekend of February 5—8 at Cherry Valley Lodge. More information will be distributed soon about this convention. Please talk to Kathi if you are interested in attending.

Cecchetti Ohio Ballet Day—Ballet Day will be held Sunday, February 15th here at Kathi's Dance & Gym Center. You will be given information regarding this workshop in class.

CHRISTMAS SHOW AUCTION BASKETS

Please don't forget about the items for the Chinese Auction basets. These will be auctioned at the Christmas show. If you are in more than one class please choose the basket of your choice or donate to as many as you would like. Please turn all items in by Friday, December 12th. If you know of any local businesses that would be willing to donate gifts or gift certificates for their goods or services, please contact them.

Kindercise
Boy's Activity Basket – Items for boys between 3 and 6
Small cars, crayons, action figures, activity items . . .

Kinderdance
Girls Princess Activity Basket – Items for girls between 3 and 6
Dolls, princess items, dress-up, jewelry, activity items . . .

Jolly Old St. Nick
Relaxation Basket – Candles and candle accessories, coffee and mugs,
Paperback books, fleece throw, chocolates

Jingle Bell Rock
Girl's Basket – ages 7-10 – Items for girls between ages 7-10
Barbie's, hair accessories, glitter, arts and crafts . . .

Super Bowl Basket – Items for a football tailgate before the game

Pizza/Wings Gift card, stadium blanket, snacks, beer, serving dishes

or beer glasses. Anything for the football lover.

Junior Jazz Wine & Cheese Basket – Bottle of wine, glasses, cutting board, knives, Cheese, crackers, wine stopper, opener, etc.

Bath and Beauty Basket – Items to make you feel pretty!

Lotions, foot and hand care, bubble baths, polish . .

.Senior Jazz ½ - Lottery Tree ½ - Movie Basket

We are asking all seniors to donate \$5.00 so we can purchase lottery and movie tickets. Also bring in goodies for the movies to put in the basket, (popcorn, milk duds etc.)



FITNESS CLASSES AT KDGC

PILATES REFORMER

Pilates classes are offered as one hour private classes or semi-private sessions. Kathi is Stott certified and offers classes weekdays before 2:00 p.m. Feel free to call the office if you are interested in scheduling a private.

DANCE FIT

Jami Byler is back teaching her dance fit classes. The price of classes is \$6.00 per class. Her schedule for this year is as follows:

Monday 9:30—10:30 a.m. Monday 7:00—8:00 p.m. Wednesday 7:30—8:30 p.m. Friday 9:30—10:30 a.m.

BALLET BARRE

Amanda Welker is teaching ballet barre fitness classes for \$6.00 per class. Her schedule is:

Monday 9:00-10:00 a.m. Monday 10:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesday 12:00-1:00 p.m. Thursday 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Amanda will be offering a free class on Sunday, January 11 at 2:00 p.m. Please come out and try her class. After the first of the year, she will be having an evening class on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. instead of at noon.

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2014-15 COMPETITIVE TEAM MEMBERS Level 3's

Hailey Anglin, Brianne Campbell, Lydia Campbell, Sophia Diorio, Helen Faur, Alexa Fecko, Nieva Fegert, Alivia Horvath, Alexa Ignazio, Kaley Johnson, Hallie Joyce, Korey Lynn Kennedy, Cali Matey, Kendall Maughan, Haleigh McCalla, Kiley McConnell, Karigan Mullen, Amanda Reeveley, Jewelina Reeveley, Maya Reeveley, Delaney Savaet, Ella Schrickel, Mia Schrickel, Ayla Thompson.

Level 4's

Olivia Cmil, Kate Coppola, Graciella Ebert, Lia Fecko, Jillian Gady, Jordan Gady, Jenna Kirkpatrick, Jillian McIntosh, Gracie Raymer, Taylor Sackella, Zoe Simon, Angelina Smiley, Ariana Smiley, Kenzie Szolek, Nadia Zarbaugh.

Optionals

Adrianna Candella, Abigail Catlos, Makenzie Ferenchak, Lauren Gates, Grace George, Vanessa Lehman, Marissa Mangino, Sophia Neddy, Paige Patterson, Julianna Sandine, Gizalia Smith-Kelso, Adeline Whaley, Lexi Wonner.



CHRISTMAS BREAK

We will be closed for the Christmas holiday starting on Monday, December 22nd and through Sunday, January 4th. We will reopen on Monday, January 5th.

IMPORTANT COMPETITIVE TEAM NEWS

Team Christmas Party—The competitive team Christmas party will be held Monday, December 22nd from 5:00—7:00 p.m. More details regarding the party will be put in your mailbox soon.



Jump off the beam, flip off the bars follows your dreams, and reach for the stars.

Nadia Comanaci

Open Gym—Continuing this month, we will be having an open gym session on Fridays from 4:00—6:00 p.m. for any competitive team member that wants to come in and work on routines and tricks for meets. The cost of open gym is \$10.00 and is paid directly to the coaches when you come. Please sign up on the bulletin board outside the gym doors.

Leos and Warm-ups—The new warm-ups are in and have been distributed. Some of the new leos came in but several were back ordered. Thank you for being patient. Final balances have not been charged to accounts yet.

NEOGL MEET AT GREAT

LAKES- The optional excel girls did outstanding at their first meet. With new routines on all events and pressure to remember them, they did a great job. As a group, they exceeded my expectation on bars, scoring very well. Floor routines were very spunky and fun, you could tell by the look on the judge's face, she was very enter-

tained. Beam routines went as expected, with Julianna and Paige with the only no fall routines. As a group they had very positive attitudes and supported each other through the entire meet.

The level 3 girls started off great with 14 of the 17 girls having a no fall beam routine! Veteran level 3 Kendall Maughan got the meet underway with an excellent beam routine scoring a 7.70. More than half of the level 3s this year are new to competitive gymnastics but they didn't let that scare them. The did a wonderful job. The first year level 3 girls that competed at this meet are: Brianne Campbell, Lydia Campbell, Sophia Diorio, Helen Faur Neiva Fegert, Alexa Ignazio, Kaley Johnson, Hallie Joyce, Korey Lynn Kennedy, and Cali Matey. These girls showed their great potential in the sport and we are excited to see them all grow as gymnasts. Placing in the All-Around for the 3s were Cali with an impressive second place finish and Korey Lynn with sixth place in the 7 and under age division. Congratulations girls, keep up the hard work!!

The level 4 girls also started off great with 9 hit beam routines! Jordan Gady started the girls off with her rock solid routine. A big congratulations to Nadia Zarbaugh who made her first glide kip on bars at the meet! First year level 4s who competed at this meet include Lia Fecko, Grace Raymer, Taylor Sackella, Kenzie Szolek, Angelina Smiley, Ariana Smiley, and Nadia Zarbaugh. The level 4s showed what team to watch out for by taking the top 5 All-Around spots with Graciella Ebert 1st, Kate Coppola 2nd, Jillian Gady 3rd, Olivia Cmil 4th and Taylor Sackella 5th. Wonderful job out their girls, keep up the tremendous work.

CHRISTMAS SHOW REHEARSALS

Saturday – December 13, 2014 Mohawk High School

This is a dress rehearsal. Please be on time.

We will be unloading the truck at 8:00am. We would appreciate any volunteers.

8:30-9:30 Nuttin' For Christmas

Pre-senior/Senior Hip Hop

Here Comes Santa

Santa's Tap

Company Tap

9:30-11:00 Junior/Pre-teen/Teen Hip Hop

Rock and Roll Christmas (He Delivers, Reindeer, E-Mail Santa)

11:00-1:00 **Decorators**

Santa's Elves

Jolly Old St. Nick

Shoppers

Shoppers Express

Music Box

Dolls

1:00-3:00 Snow Fairy

Icicles

Love

Proposal

Assault

Susan

Asylum

Eyes of a Child

3:00-5:00 Shake (Hip Hop, Thursday Classes)

Gift of Love

Frosty (all classes) – branches, scarves and top hats

Happy Holiday (Int. Hip Hop, Monday Class)

Winter Wonderland

Snow Flakes

Jingle Bell Rock

Snow Ho Ho



The 2015 gym show is scheduled to be held at Mohawk High School on May 17, 2015. Dress rehearsals for the program will be on the Saturday before the show, May 16th. We would like to start planning so we would really appreciate an immediate response as to if you are planning to participate in this program. All competitive team members, open gym classes, cheernastic and Kindercise classes are eligible to participate. Please return the bottom form by January 24th.

A costume is required for the performance with an average cost of \$45.00 to \$55.00. A costume deposit of \$40.00 will be due by January 24th as well.	
NAME:	
PHONE	CLASS TIME:
	YES, I WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE GYM SHOW
	NO, I WILL NOT BE PARTICIPATING IN THE GYM SHOW
	I AM UNSURE AT THIS TIME BECAUSE: