Kathi's Dance & Gym Center, LLC

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STUDIO POLICIES

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 on 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: All dance classes will have observation the week of December 2-7 and all gymnastics classes will have observation the week of December 9-14.

Website: Please check the website regularly. We will try to keep all new forms and papers updated on the website for you.

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.

"MIRACLE ON 34TH STREET"

Kathi's Dance & Gym Center will be presenting "Miracle on 34th Street" on Sunday, December 8th, at Springfield Local High School Auditorium at 1:30 p.m. and 5:00 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 event 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 event to just watch your child perform but remember it is a benefit dedicated to a worthy cause. We are still in need of baskets and/or gift cards for the basket raffle. Please remember to turn in your gift cards and scratch of lottery tickets by December 5th.

This year we have decided to help the family of Tiffiny Joy-Cantwell.

In 2022, at the age of 44, Tiffiny was diagnosed with stage four cervical cancer. After a year of chemo and radiation treatments, Tiffiny overcame cervical cancer. Unfortunately, one year later it was discovered it had spread to stage 4 lung cancer. In August of this year, she was told that the cancer was terminal, and that she did not have much longer to live. Sadly, Tiffiny passed away last week on November 20th. Tiffany was a lifelong resident of New Springfield, Ohio, and a 1998 graduate of Springfield Local High School.

Tiffiny leaves behind two daughters with their father and grandmother with very little income coming in. Leah Joy, 19, started her first year at YSU this fall pursuing a major in English. Ella Cantwell, 12 years old, is in the sixth grade at Columbiana Exempted Village School District. Tiffiny's children were everything to her. Her only final wish was that they are taking care of.

Funds received will be used to start a savings fund for the girl to use toward their future.



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IMPORTANT DATES

12/7-8 - NEOGL at Great Lakes 12/8 - Christmas Show 12/14-15 - USAG/AAU at Ten Pt. O 12/18 - Dance Line Christmas Party 12/18 - Team Christmas Party 12/22-1/5 - Closed for Holidays 1/6-Classes resume 1/10 - CCO College Scholarship Due 1/10-12 - ODM Cambridge Convention 1/17-19 - USAG/AAU~Battle of Champ 1/19 - Winter Gala 1/25-26 - All Gym Teams At GymStars

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CECCHETTI COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

The CCA of Ohio offers a College tuition scholarship for high school seniors and college students. The deadline for this scholarship is January 10th. Students must submit an essay, two letters of recommendation, and a video of a self choreographed piece. Finalists will go through an interview at the Ballet Day held here in February. \$2,250 in scholarship money will be given.

If you are interested, please talk to Kathi or get forms from the office.

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

DANCE LINE DINNER THEATER "WINTER GALA"

planning is well underway for this special night. The girls will be performing solos

Once again this year the Senior and Teen line dancers will be holding a dinner theater evening. On January 19th at Fairview Arts and Outreach Center on Youngstown-Poland Road, the girls will be hosting an entertaining evening of dinner and dance. Choreography and





and small group pieces. 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 19th, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. More information will be emailed soon.

ODM Convention in Cambridge— will be the weekend of January 10 -12. Information about the convention has been emailed and registration is complete. If you would still like to attend this convention, let Lisa know.

Cecchetti Ohio Ballet Day—Ballet Day will be held Sunday, February 16th at Above the Barre studio in Berea, Ohio. You will be given information regarding this at a later date.

Jazz Line Tryouts - Jazz Line Tryouts will be held here at the studio on February 2nd.

Cecchetti Exams - Cecchetti Exams will be held the weekend of February 28 - March 2, 2025. These exams will be at All About Dance by Kristen in Stow, Ohio. Small groups will be starting right after the first of the year and will run for 8 weeks. If you are up for examination, you will receive paperwork soon.





KDGC Competitive Team News

Team Christmas Party—The competitive team Christmas party is being held on Saturday, December 21st, 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. More information to come.

Holiday Workouts - Over the holiday break there will be a couple workouts for team gymnasts to attend. These workouts will be \$15 cash each at the time of the workout. A list of dates and times will be out soon.

Competitive Team Meets - The NEOGL gymnasts will have their first meet December 7 & 8 at Great Lakes Gymnastics and the AAU and USAG gymnasts will compete on December 14-15 at Ten Pt. O Gymnastics. Good Luck to all of the gymnasts at their first meet of the season!!!

FUNDRAISER UPDATES

Fundraiser items have all been ordered and we are waiting on delivery dates.

Cookie Dough - The cookie dough is being shipped on December 9. I will update when we receive a firm date of delivery.

Cards - The greeting cards have arrived. They will be available for pick up on Monday, December 2.

KDGC SLIDES/CROCS/SOCKS

If you placed an order for the KDGC slides/crocs, we were given a date of December 15, but I will confirm with all of you when I receive information from them.

KDGC Apparel

If you would like to order some KDGC apparel for your dancer or gymnast for the holidays, go to our shop at Soup City and place your order.

https://soupcitydesigns.com/KDGC/shop/home

Merry Christmas

We will be closed for the Christmas holiday starting on Sunday, December 22nd through Sunday, January 5th. We will reopen on Monday, January 6th.

We hope you all get to spend some time with family and friends over break. Thank you so much for being a part of our KDGC family.





CHRISTMAS SHOW REHEARSALS

Saturday – December 7, 2024

Springfield Local High School

This is a dress rehearsal. Please be on time and dressed for your first number.* The rehearsal is not in the correct order of the show.Estimated rehearsal time is 15 minutes per number except for the productions.

8:30-10:30 Frosty ~ Branches, Scarves (no top hats) Tap 1 Thur 4:45, Tap 2 Mon 5:45, Tap 3 Beg. Tues 6:30, Tap 3 Adv. Mon 6 Oh, Shake Santa Shake! ~ Beg HH & HH1 (Thur 5:30 & Thur 4:45) Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree ~ HH2 & Intermediate HH

(Th 4:00 & Thur 6:15)

Jingle Bell Rock ~ Beg. Jazz (Tues 4:30) Snow Ho Ho ~ Jazz 3 (Mon 5:00) Jolly Old Saint Nicholas ~ Ballet 1 & Ballet 2 (Thur 4 & Mon 5) All I Want for Christmas ~ Minis (Wed 4:30)

- 10:30-11:30 ACT II: ROCKEFELLER SQUARE Winter Wonderland ~ Primary 3 Ballet Beginner (Tuesday 5:30) Snow Fairy ~ Caitlin Winter Wonderland ~ Primary 3 Ballet Advanced (Monday 4:00) Snowflakes ~ Cecchetti I (Wed 4:00 & Wed 5:30) Lillyan Proposal ~ Lillyan
- 11:30-12:00 Frosty ~ Top Hats (Wed.6:30, both Tap 4 classes) Ludacrismas ~ Pre-Jr. & Jr. HH (Sat 12:00)
- 12:00-1:00 Rock and Roll Christmas ~ All Jazz Lines (Senior, Teen, Pre-Teen, Junior) Email, Mommy, Run Run Rudolph, He Delivers, Rock and Roll Christmas
- 1:00-2:30 Jingle Bells ~ Sr. HH (Sat 11:00) Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer ~ Teen & Pre-Teen HH (Sat 10 & Tues 7:00) Sleigh Ride ~ Co. Tap Nuttin' ~ Teen Tap Santa Tap ~ Sr. Tap Here Comes Santa ~ Teen & Pre-Teen Tap
- 2:30-4:00 ACT I: COLE'S DEPARTMENT STORE Store Opening ~ Mia R Decorators ~ Senior Pointe Santa's Arrival Santa's Elves ~ Cecchetti III (Teens) Shopper's Express (Jolly St. Nick and Up on the Housetop are here for show) Dolls ~ Senior Pointe Sammy & Santa Gift of Love ~ Cecchetti II (Pre-Teens)
- 4:00-5:00 ACT III: SANTA'S DEMISE Assault Susan's Letter Asylum Judge's Decision Eyes of a Child ~ Senior Ballet