

# DANCE CHATTER



A Judy Dollenmayer Studio of Dance Newsletter February 2012

## **Notes from Miss Brooke:**

Dear Parents,  
Happy New Year to all! On behalf of myself and the entire staff, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all of your cards, gifts and kind wishes during the holiday season. Your thoughtfulness is sincerely appreciated!

## **Attention Competition Dancers:**

Information and competition entry forms have already been distributed. If your dancer did not bring one home, please pick one up in the office or print it off of our website from the newsletter page.

**All competition forms and fees are due by February 25.**

***Please note that there is a \$25 late fee that will be charged to all registration forms that are turned in after the February 25 due date.***

## **Parent Observation & Video Taping Days:**

During the week of March 12 you are invited to come in and observe your child's entire class time. We also encourage you to bring along your video cameras for taping the students' spring production routines. These tapes are a great aid to the students for home practice.

## **Showtime is Right around the Corner:**

The costumes have been ordered, the music has been selected and the students are eagerly learning their routines for our 2012 spring recital. I have seen the routines and they are looking wonderful already! Just a reminder that our recital will be held at the Veteran's Memorial on Friday evening May 18<sup>th</sup>, Saturday matinee and evening shows on May 19<sup>th</sup> and the Sunday matinee on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Most classes will only appear in one performance; however some classes will be featured more often. In order to help you plan for this weekend, the following schedule is being announced:

<b><u>WEEKLY CLASS</u></b>	<b><u>PERFORMANCE</u></b>
Monday	Saturday Evening May 19 <sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm
Tuesday	Saturday Matinee May 19 <sup>th</sup> at 12:00 pm
Wednesday	Friday Evening May 18 <sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm
Thursday	Sunday Matinee May 20 <sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm
Saturday	Sunday Matinee May 20 <sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm

*The classes that will be in more than one show will be announced in April.*

**The Senior Salute will be at the beginning of the Sunday Matinee show.**



## **Father-Daughter Routine:**

As you know each year we feature our Dads in our father-daughter routine. If you would like to be a part of this tradition, please attend our organizational meeting and first practice March 11<sup>th</sup>. Both father and daughter should attend this first rehearsal.

Dads' need no former dance experience, just a desire to have a lot of fun and share a few minutes in the spotlight with their special little girl.

Please check the list below to learn the group and time of the first rehearsal. If you cannot attend this rehearsal, you must call the studio to reserve your spot.

There is a one-time fee of \$30.00 per family. This fee covers Dad and all of his daughters participating.

### Group 1

Daughters 6-10 years of age and their dads will meet on Sunday March 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm. The practice schedule will be handed out at this meeting.

### Group 2

Daughters 11 years of age and older and their dads will meet on Sunday March 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm. The practice schedule will be handed out at this meeting.



## **Dancing for Life:**

Our second annual *Dancing for Life* benefit showcase will take place on Sunday March 18, 2012 at 2:00pm at the Gahanna Lincoln High School Auditorium. This is a non-profit dance showcase with our own students performing. All Proceeds benefit the Mount Carmel Foundation Women's Health Fund, which

provides free breast cancer detection and survivorship programs. Tickets are now available for purchase in the office for \$10. Last year the studio rose over \$10,000! We are excited to raise even more this year and thank you all for your continued support!

## **Pre-Registration 2012-2013:**

As in years past, we will once again conduct our pre-registration days the week of March 19. This week you are invited to register your child in our summer mini courses, dance camps, as well as next fall's season. We feel that this service is a good way to ensure that our present students get first choice of class times. Pre-registration also allows us to make sure that students are placed in the correct classes so that they do not have to switch in the first weeks of the new season. We are grateful for our present students and wish to make it as easy as possible for them to register in the classes that they prefer. Please remember that class placement is based on age, ability, and experience. It never benefits a student to be placed in the wrong class for any reason. Also by registering early, you will not have to register in August over the phone!

To cover the cost of processing your child's registration and to guarantee them a place in the class of your choice, a \$25 non-refundable registration fee per student is due at the time of registration with a maximum fee of \$60 for families with more than two children taking classes. After Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>, the registration fee will be \$30 per student with a maximum fee of \$75 per family.

*Please be sure look over our new class brochure which will be available in March.*

## **Program Ads:**

Information will be distributed during our March parent visitation week about the pictorial and business ads featured in the recital program. These are a fun way to cheer your favorite dancers on!