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Dance!

The Newsletter of the Miami Valley Dance Center
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RECITAL ROUTINES

Recital routines are shaping up nicely for our June Dance Extravaganza! Good attendance is important to make sure our classes stay on schedule and all of our dancers feel confident with their upcoming performance.

The \$25 recital fee for each dancer will be due with the April 5 autopay. The recital fee covers rehearsal time at the Kuss Auditorium, a student ticket, recital souvenir, and chaperone services. The link to the recital music on Drop Box will also be provided. (If you prefer a CD, please contact Miss Kelly.)

Remember, our annual recital this year will be Saturday, June 16 and the mandatory dress rehearsal is Friday, June 15, all at Kuss Auditorium in Springfield.

RECITAL COSTUMES

Recital costumes have started arriving at the studio. We will be checking the fit of each child's costume as soon as they do. Tuition must be up to date and costume balances must be paid in full before we can send the costumes home.

As we have mentioned before, tights are included in the price of the costume.

MVDC 2018 Calendar

March 8-11.....	First Competition
March 16-18.....	Second Competition
April 2-7	Spring Break
April 12 - 15	Third Competition
April 27-29.....	Fourth Competition
May 4 - 6	Fifth Competition
May 28	Memorial Day (Studio Closed)
June 5.....	Accounts must be paid in full
June 15.....	Annual Dance Extravaganza
	Dress Rehearsal
June 16.....	ANNUAL DANCE EXTRAVAGANZA!
June 19 - 25.....	National Competition

And, as a reminder, costume alteration is each dancer's responsibility. If alternations are beyond the parents' capability, the studio will be glad to refer several local seamstresses who can do the job.



UGLY WEATHER WARNING

We sincerely hope that this is the very last time this winter that we have to post this Ugly Weather Warning!



But even though we are almost positive that Spring is just around the corner, Old Man Winter has not completely released us from his icy grip. Ugly weather can still fall on us without warning at anytime.

If we feel the need to cancel classes due to bad weather we will leave an announcement on the studio answering machine (878-6488) by 2 p.m. or you can check the MVDC website, facebook, or Instagram for the latest news on studio closing. Remember, the studio might still be open even if local schools are closed, and vice versa.

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Our 38th Year!

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SPRING BREAK AHEAD

As this is being typed there is still some winter weather forecast for most of the Miami Valley, so it's a bit difficult to realize that the studio's annual Spring Break is just a few weeks away. But nothing will deter us from closing the studio doors April 2 - 7 for Spring Break, even if we just have to pretend that it's Spring-time!

Please enjoy your break and we look forward to seeing you back right after the break.

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COMMENTS

Please feel free to speak with the Secretaries or drop us an e-mail note (you can reach us through the website) if you have any questions, comments, or concerns. We want to ensure you get the best experience MVDC has to offer! Our secretaries are in the office the last week of each month through the 4th of the following month.

BIRTHDAY GANG!

It's time to recognize our MVDC March birthday girls and boys, the folks who arrived on Planet Earth during one of the coldest months of the year.

As is our practice, since we are not sure how old each of these dancers is, we'll just use an average age of, say, 37, and wish each of them a happy 37th birthday with as much cake and ice cream as they can stand.

Our best March birthday wishes go out to:

Mrs. Howell, Giovanna Baldwin, Sarah Bragg, Kieran Campbell, Audrey Charpentier, Alexis Diltz, Addison Draughn, Evelyn Hart, Eva Henderson, Tori Kempton, Abby Manning, Kayla Nickel, Kristen Nosbisch, Destiny Radley, Emma Ransom, Maya Smith, and Sophia Whitt.



Happy Birthday and see the secretary for your gift!

DRESS CODE REMINDER

Here's a reminder for our dancers to dress in the appropriate leotard color and tights, and don't forget to put your hair in a bun.

All preformance, kinderdance and ballet students are not permitted to wear a skirt of any kind whether separate or attached to the leotard.

Hip Hop students must wear their hair back in a ponytail and wear clean street shoes to class.

For further information, please refer to your student handbook.

Thanks for your cooperation!

MANLY MEN ALERT!

Alright you MVDC manly men: hopefully you are planning on pulling on those tights and scrambling down to the studio for the first rehearsal, Saturday, March 3, from 4 - 5 p.m.

MVDC was looking for some real manly men to participate in this year's Man Dance, and boy did we get them! But we still have a few openings on the Man Dance roster! Please sign up at the front desk or see Miss Kelly.

Man Dance rehearsal time is 4 - 5 p.m. beginning March 3. Other dates are March 24 and 31; April 21, May 12 and 19, and June 2 and 9. (P.S. Just kidding about the tights. Really. No tights, *please!*)

5/10/15 YEAR AWARDS

We've scoured our records and we think that this is the current list of dancers who should be receiving their 5, 10, and 15 Year dance awards at this year's recital. If your name isn't on this list, but should be, please contact Ms. Kelly as soon as possible at Kelly@miamivalleydancecenter.com.

5 Year: Karen Ashcraft, Bailey Baker, Chloe Borasz, Nevaeh Frost, Apple Goffee, Allison Graham, Jenna Graham, Stacy Hampshire, Samantha Helper, Logan Hildebrecht, Nancy Hoskins, Allyson Kneisley, Hannah Leach, Abby Manning, Nola Moulder, Alexis Murphy, Lily Patrick, Athena Rosengarten, Kayleigh Tolar, Andrea Williams,

10 Year: Kieren Campbell, Kendal Fahl, Marie Gay, Kiona Reynolds,

15 Year: Sarah Smith

20 Year: Nancy Jacobs

"I do not try to dance better than anyone else. I only try to dance better than myself."

- -Mikhail Baryshnikov

MISS DANCE RESULTS

We are pleased to announce that Dance Force member, Julia Stultz received 2nd runner up in the Junior Miss Dance of Ohio pageant. She also received the tap class award and well as the shining star award in her jazz convention class from teacher Keisha Lalama. Miss Kelly, Miss Renae and Mrs. Howell were also in attendance and got to take classes in Ballet, Tap and Jazz from teachers Diane Gudat, Keisha Lalama and Janet Amorosa.



DANCERS OF THE MONTH

MVDC has proudly announced the Dancers of the Month for the month of March are **Quinn Babb** and **Alex Ross**, two individuals who share a love of dance though separated by many years.

Quinn Babb is a five-year-old Kindergarten student at Fairborn Primary School whose favorite color is pink



Her favorite food is macaroni and cheese which does not come in pink but is her favorite food anyway.

When Quinn arrives home from school each day her faithful pooch Petunia is waiting to greet her.

Quinn's hobbies include dancing and reading, and when it

comes to dance her favorite style is ballet.

We asked Quinn why she liked to dance and she told us, "Because dancing is so much fun and I love to see my friends!"

Alex Ross

on the other hand is 26 years old and left Kindergarten far behind. Alex is a Greenon High School graduate.

His favorite color? Red and blue. And when it comes to his favorite food, it's pizza, which you will have to admit is not too far removed from macaroni and cheese, at least as far as cheese is concerned.

Alex has one cat, Ripley, and his hobbies include writing, board games, and watching movies.

When we asked Alex why he liked to dance he said, "I love to dance because it gives me another way to express my creativity and the studio gives me a positive atmosphere to enjoy myself."



Congratulations to Quinn and Alex, the MVDC Dancers of the Month for March. Congratulations go out also to their families.

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Here's another great opportunity for us to support the MVDC Booster Club!

On Thursday, March 15, your visit to City Barbeque can put dollars in the MVDC Booster Club vault. Visit City Barbeque anytime between 10:30 a.m. - 10 p.m. and scan or show the attached coupon barcode to the cashier. That's all there is to it! The Booster Club will get 25% back.

Mark your calendars and plan to dine at City Barbeque March 15!



DCDC CELEBRATES 50 YEARS

The Dayton Contemporary Dance Company's 50th anniversary performance was entitled "Reunited."

It featured current company members as well as former company members including our very own, Miss Amy Jones. Many of the Dance Force team members attended the show and as always enjoyed seeing Miss Amy perform on stage.



Congratulations to Thaliyah!



We are as pleased as we can be to share wonderful news regarding Miss **Thaliyah Cools-Lartigue**, a long time member of the MVDC dance family!

Thaliyah auditioned for the Ohio State University Dance Program and she recently received notice that she had been accepted! As if that wasn't enough good news, the same letter notifying her that she had been accepted into the program also told her that she had been chosen by the Department of Dance to receive a Helen P. Alkire Scholarship for the 2018-2019 school year. That scholarship is renewable for up to three additional years.

Thaliyah reports that she is still trying to work out a potential dual major in dance and criminology, but clearly for this lady the sky is the limit.

Our congratulations to Thaliyah and her family!

2018 MVDC Dance Force Dress Rehearsal



More from 2017 MVDC Dance Force Dress Rehearsal



Here's wishing the 2018 Dance Force the best of luck as they kick off their 2018 season next weekend in Columbus, Ohio, at Rainbow Dance Competition!



Diamond Hip Hop Performs at Game

The MVDC Dance Force Diamond Hip Hop team recently performed at half time at a Fairborn High School Varsity Basketball game.


They did a great job and the enthusiastic crowd was very generous with their applause.

The name of their routine is "The Future Is Female" and it was choreographed by Miss Lauren Daidone and Miss Jen Priest.



Cinderella at FHS

The FHS Music Department Proudly Presents
Rodgers and Hammerstein's
Cinderella



February 22, 23, 24 7:00pm
Fairborn High School Auditorium

Adult \$10
Student/Senior Citizen \$8

Tickets available starting Mon Feb 5
in the FHS Finance Office or at the door

Fairborn High School's production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella was February 22-24 and featured 2 of MVDC's dancers Alicia Sylvester who played Crazy Marie/The Fairy Godmother and Mallory Wardle who was in the ensemble. Congratulations to both on a fine performance.

