



# KATHI'S DANCE & GYM CENTER, LLC

## JANUARY NEWSLETTER 2012

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### Calendar of Upcoming Events & Workshops...

**Exp. 5's, Prep Opt., Optional Meet**  
@Gymnastics of Ohio  
January 14, 2012

**Optional Gymnastics Meet**  
@Butler Gymnastics Center  
January 28-29, 2012

**DMO Convention—Junior Members**  
Newark, Ohio  
February 3-5, 2012

**Exp. 5's, Prep. Opt. & Opt. Meet**  
@Gymnastics of Ohio  
February 4-5, 2012

**Dance show forms/deposits due**  
February 11, 2012

**Ballet Day at KDGC**  
February 12, 2012

**Exp. 5's, Prep. Opt. & Opt. Meet**  
**AAU Winter Nationals @ Geneva**  
Feb. 18-19, 2012

**Level 4, 5, Prep. Opt. Meet**  
@ home  
February 26, 2012

**Cecchetti Exams @ KDGC**  
March 9-11, 2012

**Klinke Scholarship Due**  
April 1, 2012

**KDGC Recital Date**  
June 14-15, 2012  
@ Powers Auditorium

### STUDIO POLICIES AND NEWS

**ABSENCES** – Attendance is very important and instrumental to the development of your child's skills. If you are not able to attend we ask you to 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 16<sup>th</sup>. There are no deductions or credits for missed classes. Withdrawals must be made before the first class of each month or you will be billed for the entire month.

**OBSERVATION** – is the last class of this month. Parents are welcome to sit and observe the class. Please remember you are in a learning environment and we must keep noise to a minimum. Please turn off cell phones. There will also be parent observation in March and May.

**CREDIT CARD PROCESSING**—We are now able to process Discover, MasterCard and Visa payments. We can even keep a permanent card on file and charge that card for all of your charges if that is helpful to anyone.

**E-MAIL**—If you do not receive our e-mails and have an e-mail address, please let us know in the office. It has been a great help to many of our parents to receive all newsletters and forms by e-mail.

**Like the convenience of e-mail?  
Feel free to correspond with Kathi at any time through e-mail at  
kathihalbert@gmail.com**

**Cecchetti Ballet Day** – Kathi's Dance and Gym Center is sponsoring Cecchetti Ballet Day here at the center on February 12th. All Cecchetti students are asked to please attend as much of the workshop as possible. Classes in ballet, jazz, Pointe, stretch & conditioning, modern, and hip hop will be offered to varied levels for all Cecchetti students. Check mailboxes for registration information.



**Spring Cecchetti Exam Dates** – Spring exams will be at Kathi's the weekend of March 9-11, 2012. Students eligible for small groups are being contacted at this time.

**2012 Dance Show** – The seniors have begun thinking about the theme of this year's dance show. The show will be held at Powers Auditorium on June 14 & 15. Attached to this newsletter you will find the sign up sheet for the show. Please fill out and return to the office by February 11th. Remember—even if you are not participating in the show, we need the form so that we are aware of that.

#### A MESSAGE FROM CHRIS:

I would like to thank everyone at Kathi's Dance & Gym Center for all the prayers, cards, and donations that I received after my husband Ken passed away last month. It has been a very difficult time for me, but I am lucky to have all of you and your support. The funeral luncheon was wonderful because of the food that was donated by all of you.

Thank you so much,  
~Chris

## **CHRISTMAS SHOW UPDATE**

### **BENEFIT FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS RESEARCH**

We are very happy to announce that we were able to give a donation of \$5,400 to the Cystic Fibrosis Research Fund at Pittsburgh Children's Hospital and all of the canned goods to the Springfield Township Community Council of Churches from the proceeds of the Christmas Show this year. This would not have been possible without all of the donations for the Chinese Auction baskets, donations given, and ticket money collected. We are so appreciative of Canfield High School for renting us their facility, Canfield Pizza Hut for donating the pizza, Nemenz IGA for the punch, Acclaim Video for donating all proceeds to the charity, and Specialized Event Solutions for donating the black lights for the Frosty number. Thank you to all of you that participated, volunteered, and gave up your time during the busy holiday season. We could not have done it without you!

## **KLINKE SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE**

### **PEGGY KLINKE SCHOLARSHIP**

The Peggy Klinke Scholarship will be awarded at this year's dance show in June. It is a \$500.00 scholarship to a summer dance workshop of your choice and it is given in memory of Peggy, one of our former dancers, who was fatally assaulted.

The requirements are as follows:

- ◆ At least 11 years of age
- ◆ Submit a 1 ½ minute video in a dance discipline of your choice
- ◆ Submit a 500-word essay, typed, doubled-spaced and titled "How Dance has Influenced my Life"
- ◆ Please submit application, video and essay **no later than April 1<sup>st</sup>**.

## **EASTER BREAK CLOSING DATES**



The studio will be closed Thursday, April 5 —Tuesday, April 10 for Easter break. We will reopen on Wednesday, April 11.

**\*\*\*\*Monday students will have class on Tuesday, April 10th so that they get their 36 classes in for the year.**



## **Message from Kathi**

Kathi would like to say thank you for all the gifts she received from all the students/families. The lines and faculty surprised her this year and purchased her an iPad. She has been learning and playing on the iPad, and with Lulu being born over break it has been great for her.

## **COMPETITIVE TEAM NEWS**

Upcoming Meets:      January 14—Gym Stars Meet @ Gymnastics of Ohio  
                                 January 28-29—Toon Town Inv. @ Butler, PA  
                                 February 4-6—Gym Stars Championship @ Gymnastics of Ohio  
                                 February 18-19—AAU Winter Nationals @ Geneva, Ohio  
                                 February 26—Home meet @KDGC for Level 4, 5, Prep. Opt.

\*\*\*We will continue having open gym workouts on Fridays from 4:00—6:00 p.m. for \$10.00

## **MESSAGE FROM THE COACHES**

All of the coaches would like to say thank you for the Christmas gifts they received. Good Luck at your upcoming meets. Keep up the hard work!

## **Congratulations to the Halbert Family!!!**

On January 2, 2012, Kathi and Ken became the proud grandparents of a beautiful little girl. Lucy Luella Halbert came in to this world at 8 pounds and 21 1/2 inches long. Keith and Kelly are doing well in Philadelphia. Kathi and Ken were able to get there the day she was born and will be visiting frequently!! Don't know how we will work out the long distance Kinderdance classes yet, but we have some time. :)



## **SPAGHETTI DINNER BENEFIT FOR JODI COPPOLA**

Jodi Coppola is the mother of one of our Level 4 competitive gymnasts, Kate Coppola. Jodi is also the mother of five year old triplets. She is battling abdominal cancer and the medical bills are staggering for her family. There is a spaghetti dinner benefit at the Holy Rosary Educational Center in Lowellville, Ohio on Sunday, January 15th from noon—4:00 p.m. The cost of the dinner is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for kids ages 5-12.

There will be a Chinese Auction held at the benefit as well. We are taking monetary donations in the office and we will donate a basket to the auction with the money collected. Please drop off any donations to the office by Thursday night. We will shop and put the basket together on Friday.

Hopefully a lot of us can attend this benefit for Jodi, Kate, and the entire family. The medical bills that are being incurred are outrageous and this is one small way that we can all help a little.

## **CHRISTMAS SHOW '11 DVD ORDER FORM**

If you did not get a form at the show to order your copy of the DVD of the Christmas show, it's not too late. You are still able to order a copy at the price of \$15.00. This year Mike from Acclaim is donating all proceeds of DVD sales to the Cystic Fibrosis Research. He is not taking any payment for taping the show.

Please fill out the form below and return it to the office and our staff will make sure that you receive a DVD. REMEMBER—make your check payable to Kathi's Dance & Gym Center.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

2011 Christmas Show DVD:

Quantity ordered \_\_\_\_\_ X \$15.00 = \_\_\_\_\_