

**MARCH 2011 NEWSLETTER**

Dear Parents and Dancers:

**MONTHLY TUITION** – March tuition is due by **Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>**. Payments are considered late and subject to a \$5.00 *per week* late fee if made after **Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>**. Madison Scheel was our tuition raffle winner last month, receiving free tuition for March. Congratulations, Madison! Payments must be made by March 7<sup>th</sup> in order to participate in this month's drawing for free April tuition.

---

**IMPORTANT DATE CHANGE REMINDER!** – Parent Observation Week is NEXT MONTH, **Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>**. As you may recall, the dates for our Spring Parent Observation Week were printed incorrectly in our fall brochure. The correct dates are **MONDAY, APRIL 4<sup>TH</sup> – SATURDAY, APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup>**. Please make note of this on your calendars today if you have not done so already. You won't want to miss this important event happening at the very beginning of next month!

**EASTER VACATION** – The studio will be **CLOSED** for Easter vacation next month from **FRIDAY, APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup> – FRIDAY, APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup>**. Classes resume **Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**. Remember to mark your calendars now!

**\*\*Watch for a special event happening at the studio on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> to be announced in our April newsletter!\*\***

---

**MAKE UP CLASSES** – Make up classes will be scheduled for classes canceled on Friday and Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. Watch for an email sometime during the month of April. I am planning to schedule the make up classes during the month of May.

---

**HOLIDAY SHOWCASE PHOTO ORDERS** – Holiday Showcase photos will be available for pick up beginning **Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>**.

**HOLIDAY SHOWCASE DVDS** – Don't forget to pick up your DVDs at the front desk if you have not already. Late orders may be picked up at the studio beginning **Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**.

---

**JUNE 2011 RECITAL DATES** – Below is a reminder of our 7 confirmed June recital dates for 2011. All performances start at 7:00 p.m. in the Greendale High School Auditorium. **The recital dates are as follows:**

- ◇ Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>
- ◇ Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>
- ◇ Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup>
- ◇ Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>
- ◇ Thursday, June 16<sup>th</sup>
- ◇ Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>
- ◇ Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>

**RECITAL SCHEDULE** – Within a few weeks you will receive a specific *recital* schedule. You will then know exactly in which of the 7 shows your dancer(s) will be required to perform. The recital schedule will be complete and no changes will be made. For more details, please refer to the schedule when it comes out later this month.

**DRESS REHEARSAL DATES** – Below is a reminder of our 6 confirmed June dress rehearsal dates for 2010. All dress rehearsals are on stage in the Greendale High School auditorium. **The dress rehearsal dates are as follows:**

- ◇ Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> (evening)
- ◇ Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> (afternoon & evening)
- ◇ Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> (evening)
- ◇ Tuesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> (evening)
- ◇ Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> (evening)
- ◇ Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup> (evening)

**DRESS REHEARSAL SCHEDULE** – A specific schedule will be available next month. Rehearsals are in full costume and make-up with proper required hairstyle. These rehearsals take the place of all regular classes in June, however your dancer's specific rehearsal day will not be the same day as your dancer's regular dance class day or days. Again, watch for the rehearsal schedule in April. **There are NO tuition fees for June!**

**IMPORTANT** – I have been doing my best to work out everyone's recital conflicts. I have no doubt though that there will be problems. If a school requirement or the like makes it impossible for your dancer to be at a particular performance you are scheduled to attend, **YOU MUST LET YOUR TEACHER KNOW IMMEDIATELY** (when the recital schedule becomes available). Teachers will not re-choreograph a dance to accommodate a missing dancer, as this is too much to expect of the dancers in the class. Instead, the teacher will replace your dancer with a substitute for the performance that your dancer will miss. Therefore, the substitute dancer will need to borrow the missing dancer's costume for that particular performance. The teacher for each class will be in charge of the costume being loaned. We appreciate everyone's cooperation in this matter, as it will allow students to attend graduations while keeping a recital number running smoothly. Thank you in advance for all of your help.

---

**RECITAL SHOES** – Did you order your recital shoes yet? April is a busy time for shoe suppliers. Please have orders placed by the end of March. If you decide to wait we cannot guarantee you will have your shoes for your recital pictures in May. Several shoes ordered recently are on backorder until April. Check the shoe bulletin board in the hallway if you'd like to purchase or sell any used shoes.

**RECITAL MUSIC** – Everyone should have received recital music CD. If for some reason you did not, please check at the front desk. If you have misplaced your CD, additional CD's are available at the front desk for \$3.00 per replacement CD.

---

**TECHNIQUE INTENSIVE PROGRAM NEWS** – All of our Technique Intensive Program dancers along with several other dancers from our studio attended the *New York City Dance Alliance* convention / competition at the Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles, IL last month. **Scholarship finalists and subsequent winners in each age division were as follows: Mini (ages 7-10) – Abby Amidzich, Holly Cannistra, Eliza Devereaux, Brooke Kais – Outstanding Dancer Runner Up, Tommy Musuraca – Outstanding Dancer Runner Up, Tessa Smith, Anna Stachnik – Outstanding Dancer**

*Runner Up*, Katy Wartman – *Outstanding Dancer Runner Up*; **Junior (ages 11-12)** – Peyton Baumstark, Nicole Fry, Meghan Hintz, Rachel Musuraca, Sydney Spaciel – *Outstanding Dancer Runner Up*; **Teen (ages 13-15)** – Emma Dresen – *Triple Threat* award, Kristin Farina – Tap scholarship, Madalyn Krenz, Taylor Page – *Outstanding Dancer Runner Up*, Bailey Petitgoue; **Senior (ages 16-18)** – Shannon McAvoy, Abby Stachnik, Jeremiah Thompkins – *Future Star* award.

**We presented 15 dances at the NYCDA competition and were awarded the following:**

- *Medora from Le Corsaire* – High Gold award, Outstanding Execution, Outstanding Showmanship
- *Sweet Dream* – Platinum award, Outstanding Execution, Outstanding Interpretation, 5<sup>th</sup> Overall High Score Senior Solo
- *Stupid* – Platinum award, Outstanding Execution, Outstanding Intensity
- *L.O.V.E.* – Platinum award, Outstanding Staging, Outstanding Showmanship, 1<sup>st</sup> Overall Mini Jazz, Mini Critic's Choice Nominee
- *Love Potion No. 9* – Platinum Award, Outstanding Costume, 1<sup>st</sup> Overall Mini Specialty, Mini Critic's Choice Nominee and the Chicago Mini Critic's Choice WINNER!
- *Divertimento* – Gold award, Outstanding Staging, Outstanding Costume
- *Bye, Bye, Blackbird* – Platinum award, Outstanding Showmanship, 1<sup>st</sup> Overall High Score Mini Tap, 1<sup>st</sup> Overall Highest Score Mini Line, 1<sup>st</sup> Overall Mini Highest Score, Mini Critic's Choice Nominee
- *Wind Beneath My Wings* – Gold award
- *The 5<sup>th</sup>* – Platinum award, 1<sup>st</sup> Overall Junior Tap, 1<sup>st</sup> Overall Extended Line, Junior Critic's Choice Nominee
- *Like the Sun* – Platinum award, 2<sup>nd</sup> Overall Junior Lyrical, Junior Critic's Choice Nominee
- *Mozart* – Gold award, Outstanding Costume, 1<sup>st</sup> Overall Junior Ballet
- *Sort Of* – Platinum award, 1<sup>st</sup> Overall Lyrical, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Teen Group, Critic's Choice Nominee
- *I Like That* – Platinum award, Outstanding Showmanship, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Teen Line, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Highest Score Jazz, Critic's Choice Nominee
- *Grasta* – Platinum award, Outstanding Technique, 1<sup>st</sup> Overall Highest Score Senior Ballet
- *Go Do* – Platinum award, Outstanding Execution, Critic's Choice Nominee

In addition, we were awarded the **Mini/Junior Class Act** award for showcasing our dancer's in an age appropriate manor AND the **Teen/Senior Backstage Good Sportsmanship** award. We are all so very proud of you, dancers! Congratulations to all dancers!



**DANCE EXCELLENCE 2011** – Thirty-one of our Technique Intensive Program dancers have been working hard to get ready to represent the state of Wisconsin at *Dance Excellence 2011*, April 16<sup>th</sup> – April 23<sup>rd</sup>. **THANK YOU** again to all who have been so supportive of our efforts to fundraise for this exciting opportunity!

## **Technique Intensive (TI) Program Auditions**

**Auditions for the 2011- 2012 Technique Intensive Program will be held**

**FRIDAY, MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> for dancers age 7-11 years**

**And**

**SATURDAY, MAY 21<sup>ST</sup> for dancers age 12 years & older.**

Information packets and a specific audition time schedule will be available **Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup>**. I am currently revising this season's TI Program information packet for the 2011-2012 season. Once the information packets are available, please read it over carefully so you are well informed of the requirements prior to the audition.

**UPCOMING – RECITAL TICKET SALES** – Tickets go on sale in May at a limit of 10 per family during our first week of ticket sales. We use a lottery system for ticket sales, which will be explained in April. Everyone seated in our audience requires a ticket. All seating is reserved and tickets are **\$10.00** each for all 7 performances. Children 3 and under do not need a ticket if seated on the lap of a parent. **OUR TICKET LOTTERY SALE DAY IS SATURDAY, MAY 14<sup>TH</sup>**. If you fail to participate in the ticket lottery you will have until Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> to purchase your 10-ticket limit or fewer. On Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> any remaining recital tickets will go on sale first come – first serve at 4:30pm at the studio. Watch for more recital ticket purchasing information to come in April.

**UPCOMING – RECITAL PICTURE DATES** – Class and individual pictures of your dancer in full costume are taken here at *Young Dance* in May. This year pictures will be taken on **SUNDAY, MAY 22<sup>ND</sup>, TUESDAY, MAY 24<sup>TH</sup> AND WEDNESDAY, MAY 25<sup>TH</sup>**. Schedules and picture package information will be available in April.

For those of you making weekend plans in advance, the studio will be closed for Memorial weekend **Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup> through Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup>**.

**MILWAUKEE COUNTY RENEGADES** – Young Dance is a proud sponsor of the Milwaukee County Renegades, Wisconsin's only fall-based semi-pro football league. The Renegades are the only Milwaukee-based team in the league. The Renegades are currently raising funds for their 2011 season operating expenses and charitable works. You can help support their efforts by purchasing a coupon book with over hundreds of coupons for Milwaukee area restaurants and attractions! Books are available at the extremely low price of only \$20.00. Purchase your coupon book at the front desk today!

Thank you and think spring!  
*Sandy and Staff*