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Note from the director...

Welcome to the Holly Springs School Of Dance's 12th season! For our returning students, welcome home! For our new students, we are so happy that you are here with us! On behalf of the teachers and staff, we want you to know that we are committed to making this year a very special part of your child's life. Thanks for trusting us, we can't wait to get started! A big hello to new staff members, Kelly Murphy and Jennifer Coleman! We're so excited to have you here sharing your expertise! Since this newsletter is so important for keeping you updated on all of the activities in the studio, please **make sure you have registered at our website, www.hollyspringsdance.com** in order to receive it via email. We have so many fun things going on each month, we don't want you to miss out on anything! Additional copies will also be available in studio 136 each month.

I just got back from a 5 day dance teacher seminar in Florida where I took great classes, and learned lots of new ideas to share with our staff and make our studio even better! Professional growth is a great thing! Thanks to Chris, Ellie and Skylar for supporting me as I went to my own "dance camp" this Summer!

Looking forward to the best season ever! Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at chappell@hollyspringsdance.com
Love, Marilyn

PS: "Seize The Day" is our recital theme this season! We're going to have so much fun choreographing in 2010!

Hip Hop/Jazz Track Out Camp

Want a fun Hip Hop/Jazz Track Out Camp in September? We are offering a camp M-F from 9-noon September 21-25. This camp is geared towards dancers ages nine and up who have had at least one year of Hip Hop. Contact Ms. Marilyn for more info!



Bravo to...

Richard Hamlett for winning the I-Pod Touch at the recital last Spring. Thanks to everyone who bought a raffle ticket to support the Macy's dancers!

Tessa Joseph for being cast in Theatre In The Park's "A Christmas Carol"! She will be traveling to France in November to perform with their company! You can also catch her here in December for performances at Memorial Auditorium. Great job Tessa!

Our beautiful Macy's girls who are hard at work fundraising for their performance in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in NYC! Be on the lookout for ways that you can help.

Thanks to...

the kindness of the folks at **Bass Lake Draft House** (124 Bass Lake Road, you know the one!) for offering a full scholarship that has been awarded to a family in need this season! We are so appreciative for their generosity and are grateful that they were willing to help a dancer continue to follow their dreams! Bravo to Bass Lake Draft House!

Everyone for a **terrific Summer season!** Our camps and classes did an outstanding job! Check out some pictures in studio 132!

We want to host your Princess or Rock Star birthday party! Let us create a day that your dancer will never forget! We are booking now for this season, so contact us for more info!



Seize The Day- Help a dancer!

Do you have a way that you could support someone in our dance family? We can share acts of kindness in a variety of ways. During what has been a very difficult time for many families, here are some ways you might be able to help....

- ✦ Offer to *donate gently used shoes or leotards* to share with others.
- ✦ Pay it forward; offer to *pay for a costume or one month's tuition for a struggling family.*
- ✦ Organize a *carpool* to lessen the burden of transportation.
- ✦ Volunteer your *services* (props construction, sewing, graphic design work, working at events) to help dancers organizing events.
- ✦ Pledge to *say something positive to every dancer you come in contact with for a whole week.* Who knows, it just might become a habit and kindness is contagious!
- ✦ Be *creative!* We're open to any suggestions! We work hard to reach out to our community, but we also want to take care of each other! Thanks for your help!

SDC

SDC, a non profit extension of our school's training, held auditions in July for SDC Jr. and Apprenctice Teams. Congratulations to all of the dancers who were cast! SDC Sr. will be adding Mollie Fisher, Lauren Pavone, Theresa Alexander, Taliah Vanderbeek, AJ Fuller, Moriah Womble, and Kelly Stewart to the cast this season. Thanks to our Dance Captains Jillian Ackerman, and Megan Rodgers (SDC Sr.), Tessa Joseph (SDC Jr.) and Alex Polk (Apprentices) for providing leadership with Ms. Marilyn, Ms. Jen, and Ms. Stephanie.

Look for lots of great events and community service projects that SDC will host throughout the year! Look through the upcoming events to see some of the activities they will participate in!



Dance GREEN!!

We use thousands of cups each season with our water fountain. We love that our dancers are staying hydrated, but want to think about our planet as well. We've added a shelf in the break room for dancers to house a water bottle while at the studio. Check it out!

GOLF TOURNAMENT



The Holly Springs School Of Dance Golf Tournament to support the Macy's trip. Monday, September 28th at Devils Ridge Country Club. 10am Shotgun Start. Tournament events include 8:30am registration, 3pm Awards/Raffle prizes. Lunch and beverages will be provided during play. 425.00 for a team of four, 125.00 for an individual. Raffle tickets and mulligans available at registration. Can't make the tournament and still want to support the girls? Hole Sponsor: Your company logo or family name displayed at a tee box for the day. Friends of HSSOD: Your company or family name displayed on a banner tournament day. Thanks to our corporate sponsors for their generous support. Major sponsor; Crescent State Bank, Lunch Sponsorship; GMA Support, Beverage Cart Sponsorship; Dressen Medical Supply, and Releve Dancewear, Print Sponsor; Make An Impression. Additional sponsorships available!

For more information, contact Ken Meyer at 552-7677 or kmeyer@crescentstatebank.com Registration forms available in studio 136!



Since our parking lot is busier than before, please make sure you leave designated parking spots open for our business neighbors.

Thanks!

Upcoming Events

★ **Shining Stars** - A dance program now in it's 3rd ★ season that creates a class specifically designed for kids with special needs. This free class is open to anyone in the community who has a child that could benefit from this fun class. SDC members dance with these kids the 1st Saturday of each month from 10-11am. See Marilyn for more info. ★

STUDENT CHOREOGRAPHERS FOR HOLIDAY CABARET will hold auditions on Sunday, September 27th from 2-4pm in studio 148. All parents will need to be available for a brief meeting from 2-2:30pm. More info to come! Holiday Cabaret, our studio's fundraiser for the American Cancer Society, will be December 4th and 5th. All dancers interested should plan on learning a couple of combinations that they will perform. Wear dance clothes and bring all of your dance shoes! Check the studio for piece descriptions when we get closer to auditions! Reminder to choreographers; Applications are due September 5th!

September 11th- SDC Sr. travels to **Oxford Orphanage** for a residency with the kids. We look forward to this every year!

September 12th- Join SDC members as they perform "The Life Cycle Of The Caterpillar" with kids of all ages on the lawn of the Capitol Building in downtown Raleigh at "**Bugfest**". We've been a part of this event through the NC Museum Of Science for several years and love sharing our butterfly adventure with kids! Come out and join us!

Nutcracker Auditions- All dancers ages seven and up should consider auditioning for Carolina Ballet's Nutcracker on Saturday, September 12th at the CB Studios in Raleigh at 1pm. See the board in studio 136 for more info or contact Ms. Marilyn.

Open Dance Night/Silent Auction...It's time to think about one of our favorite events of the Fall! SDC will be hosting Open Dance Night along with their Silent Auction (all proceeds support SDC projects) on Saturday, October 3rd from noon until 3pm in studio 148. Join us for a family friendly event where you can enjoy a carnival setting with a moon bounce, games, food and terrific entertainment. SDC will have wonderful items up for bid-get a jump start on your holiday shopping! This event is free and open to the entire community. Want to dance at this event? Simply sign up at the front desk in studio 136! You have until October 3rd to create an original piece of choreography that you will share with our audience. This is open to dancers of all ages and abilities! Hurry! Space is limited! **MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!**

We are happy to share two **INFORMATIVE SEMINARS** that we know will help our dance families. **Injury Prevention For The Dancer**- Join us in studio 148 as Sarah Ferguson and Melanie Humphries of Village Physical Therapy will be on hand to share their knowledge on how to keep our dancers well! Thursday, August 27th from 6:30-7:30pm. **Audition Workshop**- August 27th from 7:30-8:30pm with Ms. Marilyn. Join us to get pointers on how to give your very best audition! With Holiday Cabaret and Nutcracker auditions just around the corner, you'll want to be prepared!

Want to "Dance With The Stars"? Well, maybe not the stars. However, we are hosting a four week session of Ballroom Dance on Friday nights September 18th, 25th, October 2nd and 9th from 6:45-7:45. Learn some cool moves to impress your family at the next wedding, get some great exercise, and enjoy a fun date night! Partners are not required. Guest instructor Kathy Woppel from the Fred Astaire studios will be on hand to gently guide you through some of the classics! Tuition is 50.00 per person (take 5.00 off if registering two people) and is due upon registration. Stop by studio 136 to register. Space is limited!

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Shining Stars will be held the first Saturday of every month from 10-11am.

August

- 17th: Studio Opens for Fall Season.
- 27th Free seminars; Injury Prevention For Dancers 6:30-7:30
Audition Workshop 7:30-8:30

September

- 3rd Pulse Info Meeting 7-8pm in studio 148.
- 5th Cabaret Student Choreographers Applications due.
- 11th SDC to Oxford Orphanage.
- 12th Nutcracker Auditions 1pm ,
- 12th Bugfest 9am-3pm at NC Museum of Science.
- 18th Ballroom dancing begins.
- 27th Auditions for Holiday Cabaret 2-4pm.
- 28th Macy's Golf Tournament at Devils Ridge Country Club.

October
3rd

Open Dance Night/Silent Auction.

December

- 4/5th Holiday Cabaret.
- 12th Holly Springs Christmas Parade. All welcome.

January - May

- March 20-21st THE PULSE in Atlanta, GA
- April 9-11th Picture Weekend.
- May 15-16th Pre-School Recital
- June 2-4th Dress Rehearsals.
- June 5-6th Recital Weekend.

More info coming!