



Newsletter • December 2017

## Parent Observation Week

Please mark your calendars for the week of December 18<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>, 2017 for our Parent Observation Week. Parents are invited to attend their child's class. Video cameras are welcome. We do ask that parents turn their CELL PHONES OFF AND PLEASE DO NOT TALK DURING THE CLASS! The students have worked hard and deserve everyone's undivided attention. **This observation week is held for the parents and legal guardians of our students only.** Recital is much more appropriate time for grandparents and other extended family members to see their dancer perform. We hope everyone enjoys the observation week! Parents, please remember that all students react differently when others are watching. Dancers may be shy or embarrassed and younger dancers may not participate in the class as well as they do under normal circumstances. There will not be any other dates available for parents to observe.

## Important Recital Info

Don't forget to mark your calendars now for the Spring Recital to be held Friday June 1<sup>ST</sup> and Saturday June 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2018 with a mandatory dress rehearsal on June 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. We are pleased to announce that the recital will be held at The Clayton Center for the Arts at Maryville College. We have started ordering costumes for the recital. If you have made a costume deposit, statements for the balance will be handed out in January 2018.

## E-mail

If you are having trouble receiving the newsletter, please see Chelsea in the office.

## Mark Your Calendars

The studio will be closed for the Holidays beginning **Friday December 22<sup>nd</sup> through Sunday January 7<sup>th</sup>**. Classes will resume on **Monday January 8<sup>th</sup> 2018**. **Regular tuition will be due for the month of December. If you have any questions, please see Chelsea in the office.**

### **Other Important Dates:**

Spring Break.....March 12<sup>th</sup> ~ 16<sup>th</sup>  
Spring Parent Observation.....April 9<sup>th</sup> ~ 12<sup>th</sup>  
Picture Week.....April 23<sup>rd</sup> ~ 26<sup>th</sup>  
Dress Rehearsal.....June 1<sup>st</sup> ~ 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Recital.....June 1<sup>st</sup> ~ 2<sup>nd</sup>

### **INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY:**

In the case of inclement weather, please call the studio. We will leave a message regarding closing by 2:00pm. The studio may not necessarily close when the school systems close if the weather has shown improvement throughout the day. You will also receive an email notification and it will be posted on Facebook.

## **Bows and Bravos**

**Great job to all of the dancers who performed in the FANTASY OF TREES. WE ARE PROUD OF YOU!!!!**

### **Studio Reminders**

- \*\*\*It is important to have your child to class on time.\*\*\***
- \*\*\*In the case of inclement weather call the studio for closing information. We will NOT follow any particular school system's schedule.\*\*\***
- \*\*\*Students need to use the restroom before they enter class.\*\*\***
- \*\*\* Costume deposits must be made in order for your child to receive a costume.**

## Parade Information

**\*\*The parade line-up will be printed in the Daily Times on Friday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> or you can call the studio Friday afternoon to find out what number we are in the parade line-up.**

You will be responsible for dropping your child off at our location in the parade line-up on Saturday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> no later than 10:30 am.

**Come to the corner of North Rankin Road and Joule Street for the start of the parade.**

Please be advised the streets used to line-up the entries in the parade will be blocked off. You will have to find somewhere to park and walk your child through to find ADU's spot in the line-up. **\*\*There are no restrooms available so please be sure your child has gone before you drop them off.**

**\*\*Parade release forms are in the lobby, all float riders must submit one. These are for float riders only. Please sign and return to the tuition box.**

**\*\*Parents must pick up their child at the New Providence Presbyterian Church when WE finish the parade route, not when the entire parade is finished! Please be prompt. You may not pick up your child before we have completed the parade route.** Do not wait until the end of the parade to pick up your child.

Parents should be waiting at the church when ADU finishes. **\*\*Watch the weather for Saturday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> and make sure your child has the appropriate layers on if needed.** Students are not allowed to wear jackets. If it is cold, please make sure your child has many layers under their sweat suit. You may also bring a blanket for your child to sit on. White gloves and white ear muffs are permitted. All students need to have their hair in a ponytail (if possible) with white or navy scrunchies or ribbons. White tennis shoes & white socks must be worn as well. Float riders may bring light colored blankets to cover up.

**\*\*In case of inclement weather the parade will be held on Sunday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>.** An announcement will be made by 10:00 am on Saturday on WGAP 1400 AM Radio.

**\*\*Parent volunteers must also sign a release form. Parents of three year olds are allowed to ride the float first, and then other parents may ride if there is enough room.**

## ADU Dance Company Info & Reminders

**\*\*\* There will be no parent observation for Dance Company classes.**

**\*\*\*The Christmas parade is mandatory for Dance Company students. Dancers should wear their Company Warm Up with a turtleneck and lots of layers underneath. \*\*\***

### Upcoming competitions:

**\*Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> – Fusion Dance Competition  
@Maryville Clayton Center**

FEES: SOLO	\$105
DUET	\$55 PER PERSON
TRIO	\$55 PER PERSON
ALL GROUPS	\$50 PER PERSON

**FEES ARE DUE BY DECEMBER 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**\*A \$20 late fee will be charged to accounts with unpaid Competition fees after December 14<sup>th</sup>.**

**\* March 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> Turn It Up Dance Challenge  
@Sevierville Convention Center**

FEES: SOLO	\$100
DUET	\$50 PER PERSON
TRIO	\$50 PER PERSON
ALL GROUPS	\$45 PER PERSON

**FEES ARE DUE BY JANUARY 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**\*A \$20 late fee will be charged to accounts with unpaid Competition fees after January 25<sup>th</sup>.**

**\*\*THE STUDENTS DO NOT THROW CANDY IN THE PARADE\*\*.**

**A HUGE THANK YOU TO STEVE GARNER AT BLOUNT EXCAVATING FOR THE USE OF HIS TRAILOR, TIM BARRETT FOR DRIVING, AND TO ALL OF OUR GREAT PARENT VOLUNTEERS!!**



TO OUR ENTIRE STUDIO FAMILY~ WE WISH YOU ALL  
A VERY SPECIAL HOLIDAY SEASON! MAY YOUR  
CHRISTMAS BE FILLED WITH LOVE AND MAY THE  
NEW YEAR BRING YOU HAPPINESS!!!

~MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM ALETTE, URSULA,  
CHELSEA, MEGAN, DANA, HILARY, AMANDA, LISA,  
LINDSEY, SIERRA, MADDIE, CHARLIE, EMILY, FAYTHE,  
AND ALL OF THE TEACHERS' ASSISTANTS!