



# Kathi's Dance & Gym Center, LLC

Newsletter  
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## STUDIO POLICIES

**Absences:** Attendance is very important and instrumental to the development of your child's skills. If a student is not able to attend, we ask that you please call or email 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 16th. If you would like to set up credit card automatic payment, please email or call the office and someone can help you. We need a new authorization form each year. There are no deductions or credits for missed classes. Withdrawals must be made before the first class of the each month or you will be billed for the entire month.

**Observation:** Our next parent observation will be March 11 - 16 for all dance classes and March 18 - 23 for all gymnastics classes.

**Website:** The new website is finally being launched this month. We hope you find it helpful.

**Forms of Payment:** We accept cash, checks, and MasterCard, Visa and Discover. If you are interested, we can set up automatic charge of your tuition each month on your card. Email the office at [officekdgc@gmail.com](mailto:officekdgc@gmail.com) if you would like to fill out the form for automatic payment. When putting payments in drop box, please put check or cash in an envelope.

**E-mail:** Please check your email regularly so that you receive all paperwork. It has been a great help to many of our parents to receive all newsletters and forms by e-mail.

**Mass Texting:** On February 12, we will be sending out a mass text to all parents listed as parent 1 on the waiver form. If you do not receive a text on February 12th, please take the time to text the word START to 330.882.7130. This way we can send mass texts with snow closings or other important information to individual classes. Thank you.

## DANCE SHOW NEWS

**"Jungle Book"** will be the theme of this year's dance show. The show will be held at The Scottish Rite Cathedral in New Castle, Pennsylvania on June 20 & 21. Please fill out the attached form and return it to the office with costume deposits as soon as possible. These were due February 1st. All dance classes and Kinderercise will be included in the show. We will begin measuring for costumes soon and it is imperative we know who will be participating. We must receive a costume deposit in order for your costumes to be ordered. We will have the show split out as soon as possible for those of you in Kinderercise, Kinderdance, Ballet 1 & 2, Tap 1 & 2, and Hip Hop (5-6 yr. olds). **REMEMBER—we still need the form if you are not participating in the show.** Otherwise we will have to call you to find out if you are participating.



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### IMPORTANT DATES

- Dance Show deposits due NOW
- Feb. 9-11 - USAG/AAU @ Blizzard
- Feb. 11 - Jazz Line Tryouts
- Feb. 18 - Ballet Day in Berea
- March 2-3 - NEOGL at GLG
- March 1-3 - Cecc Exams in Stowe
- March 8-10 - ODM in Cleveland
- March 9-10 - USAG/AAU @ G.O.
- Mar 28-Apr 3- Spring Break
- April 1 - Klinke Scholarship Due
- April 5-7 - USAG Plat. State Meet
- April 20-21- NEOGL at Ten Pt. O
- May 10-12-NEOGL Champ SOKOL
- May 27—Memorial Day
- June 15—Last day of classes
- June 20&21—Dance Show

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### DAFFIN'S EASTER CANDY

We are once again doing a Daffin's Candy fundraiser for Easter. Brochures are on the counter and must be turned in to the office with a check made payable to KDGC by Wednesday, February 14th. No late orders will be accepted. Delivery of the Easter Candy is on March 20th and candy will be available for pick up that day at 4:00 p.m.

## KLINKE SCHOLARSHIP

The Peggy Klinke scholarship will be awarded again 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. Please ask office for copy of the application. The requirements are as follows:

- ◆ At least 11 years of age
- ◆ Submit a 1 1/2 minute video in a dance discipline of your choice
- ◆ Submit a 500-word essay, typed, double-spaced and titled "How Dance has Influenced my Life"
- ◆ Please submit application, video, and essay **no later than April 1st**

## DANCE EVENTS AND WORKSHOPS

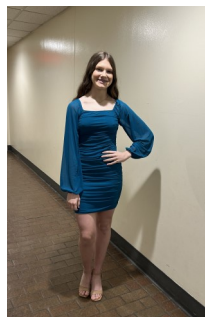
**WINTER GALA 2024** - The Winter Gala was held on Sunday, January 21 and it was a wonderful evening. We are so proud of all of the dancers that participated in this smaller event.

**Jazz Line Tryouts** will be at the studio on Sunday, February 11th. A schedule will be out soon. Good luck everyone.

**Cecchetti Ohio Ballet Day**—Thank you to all that are attending Cecchetti Ohio Ballet Day the weekend of February 18. This is a great workshop for our ballet dancers to attend.

**March ODM Performing Arts Competition and Convention** - The weekend of March 8-10, ODM will be holding a performing arts competition in Cleveland. We have four dancers competing at this competition: Grace Burgoyne, Sydney Henderson, Julia Jones and Sophia Klindworth. Joining those four for convention classes are Ioanna Katsourakis, Mia Sciola, Tessa Sciola, and Kamillie Truslow. Have a great time, ladies.

**January ODM Convention** - We had some of our dancers attend the ODM convention in Cambridge in January and they all had a great time. It really is a fun experience for them. Madelyn Sipusic also competed for Miss Dance of Ohio and did a wonderful job.



Madelyn Sipusic during before her interview as part of the Title Competition and also with other competitors in the competition.

KDGC dancers that attended the ODM Dance Convention in January in Cambridge.

# COMPETITIVE TEAM NEWS

## USAG Gymnasts Attend Battle of Champions in Toledo

Our USAG Xcel Platinums and AAU Xcel Golds competed at the Battle of Champions at Glass City Center in Toledo, January 13-14. Placing in the top five were from our Platinums were: Emily Zimbardi, 2nd on vault, 1st on bars, 1st on floor, 4th on beam, 2nd all-around; Abbey Steiner, 3rd on beam, 4th all-around; Angela Zimbardi, 3rd on vault, 4th on floor, 5th all-around; Olivia Becker, 4th on floor, 5th on bars; Korey Kennedy, 2nd on vault, 1st on bars, 1st on beam, 2nd on floor, 2nd all-around; Allison Beagle, 1st on bars, 4th on beam. Our Platinum team also placed 2nd as a team!! This was the first large invitation for our AAU Xcel Golds and the placing in top seven were: Mallory Berlon, 1st on beam, 6th on floor, 4th on bars, 3rd all-around; Sydnee Ervin, 4th on vault, 4th on beam, 4th on floor, 4th all-around; Lelia Congemi, 4th on beam; Myka Wilson, 4th on vault; Mila Congemi, 7th on beam. Way to Go Girls!!!



## FITNESS CLASSES AT KDGC

### PILATES REFORMER

Pilates classes are offered as one hour private classes or semi-private sessions. Kathi is Stott certified and offers classes weekdays before 2:00 p.m. Feel free to call the office if you are interested in scheduling a private.

## Gym Stars Meet at Gymnastics of Ohio

The weekend of January 27 and 28 our entire team competed at Gymnastics of Ohio in the Gym Stars Meet. This was the first larger meet for our Bronze gymnasts. All of our teams did a great job!

Placing in the top 3 were:

Xcel Bronze - Piper Cyrus, 1st on bars, 3rd on floor, 2nd all-around; Cambrie Sodeman, 2nd on bars, 3rd on vault, 3rd all-around; Ava Monico, 3rd on beam, 1st on vault; Gigi Kopp, 2nd on bars, 1st on floor, 1st on vault, 2nd all-around; Carigann Smith, 3rd on beam, 2nd on floor, 3rd all-around; Alessa Ayers, 2nd on beam, 1st on floor, 3rd all-around.

Xcel Silver - Emma Ayers, 3rd on bars, 3rd on beam; Olivia Penrod, 3rd on floor; Giori Perrotta, 2nd on bars, 2nd on beam; Alexis Bennett, 2nd on beam, 3rd on floor, 3rd all-around.

Xcel Gold - Madison Gary, 3rd on vault; Ella Kelecava, 3rd on bars, 3rd on vault; Sydnee Ervin, 1st on beam, 1st on vault, 2nd all-around; Lyla Beeghly, 3rd on floor; Mallory Berlon, 3rd on vault; Myka Wilson, 2nd on vault; Delayna Latimer, 3rd on bars, 1st on floor, 1st on vault, 2nd all-around.

Xcel Platinum - Olivia Becker, 3rd on bars, 2nd on beam, 3rd on floor, 2nd on vault, 2nd all-around; Abbey Steiner, 1st on beam, 1st on floor, 3rd on vault, 1st all-around; Emily Zimbardi, 1st on bars, 1st on floor, 1st on vault, 1st on all-around; Korey Kennedy, 2nd on bars, 1st on beam, 2nd all-around; Allison Beagle, 3rd on beam; Lauren Wright, 3rd on floor.

We are proud of the girls for their continued hard work!



Bronze Team



Silver Team



Gold Team



Platinum Team

## CLOSING DUE TO WEATHER

In the event that we close due to the weather, Lisa will send a text and email to parents, post it on the Facebook page, and Instagram. We do not always close when the schools are closed. A lot of times roads are clear by the time our classes are to begin. There are also times that bad weather starts later. Please make sure you have signed up to receive text messages. Directions on 1st page of newsletter.



## Christmas Show Update



Thank you to everyone involved in the Christmas show this year. This show is only possible because our families give up so much of their time at the holidays to help. By allowing your children to participate in the show, donating gift cards and basket items, and bringing your family and friends to see the show, we are able to help a family in need. We couldn't do it without you.

We have received the final bill from the school and the donations to the Cleaver and Ginnetti-Catone families are being sent this week. We were able to donate \$3,500 to the Ginnetti-Catone family and \$5,500 to the Cleaver family.



# Dance Show 2024

We are now planning our 2024 Dance Show at The Scottish Rite Cathedral in New Castle, PA. The show dates are set for June 20th and 21st, with rehearsals on June 17, 18, and 19. It is imperative that we know immediately who will be participating in the show this year, so please fill out the paper below and return by February 1st. Kindercise, Kinderdance, Ballet 1, Ballet 2, Tap 1, Tap 2, and possibly Hip Hop students will perform in one night of the show. If you are in Thursday's show you will have staging on Monday and dress rehearsal on Tuesday. If you are in Friday's show you will have staging on Monday and dress rehearsal on Wednesday.

Costume deposits will be \$50.00 per costume and due by February 1st. Costumes will not be ordered unless your deposit has been paid.

**Please return this paper even if you are NOT planning on being in the show.**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

(As you want it to appear in the program)

\_\_\_\_\_ **I WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE DANCE SHOW IN THE FOLLOWING DANCES:**

\_\_\_\_\_ BALLET \_\_\_\_\_ (CLASS TIME) \_\_\_\_\_ POINTE \_\_\_\_\_ (CLASS TIME)  
\_\_\_\_\_ JAZZ \_\_\_\_\_ (CLASS TIME) \_\_\_\_\_ HIP HOP \_\_\_\_\_ (CLASS TIME)  
\_\_\_\_\_ TAP \_\_\_\_\_ (CLASS TIME) \_\_\_\_\_ KINDERDANCE \_\_\_\_\_ (CLASS TIME)  
\_\_\_\_\_ KINDERCISE \_\_\_\_\_ (CLASS TIME)

DANCE LINES ONLY: (mark groups you will be performing with )

JAZZ LINE \_\_\_\_\_ COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_ SENIOR \_\_\_\_\_ PRE-SENIOR \_\_\_\_\_ TEEN \_\_\_\_\_ JUNIOR

TAP LINE \_\_\_\_\_ COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_ SENIOR \_\_\_\_\_ PRE-SENIOR \_\_\_\_\_ TEEN \_\_\_\_\_ JUNIOR

DEPOSIT INFORMATION: (please make your checks payable to **KDGC**)

\_\_\_\_\_ CHARGE CREDIT CARD ON FILE FOR COSTUME DEPOSITS

\_\_\_\_\_ PAYMENT ENCLOSED (\$50.00 FOR EACH COSTUME)

\_\_\_\_\_ PAYMENT ENCLOSED (\$150 JUNIOR OR TEEN LINE COSTUMES)

\_\_\_\_\_ PAYMENT ENCLOSED (\$200 PRE-SENIOR OR SENIOR LINE COSTUMES)

FAMILIES HAVING MORE THAN ONE STUDENT IN THE SHOW:

NAME OF BROTHER/SISTER: \_\_\_\_\_ THEIR CLASS \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **I WILL NOT BE PARTICIPATING IN THE DANCE SHOW THIS YEAR.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **I AM UNCERTAIN AT THIS TIME BECAUSE:** \_\_\_\_\_