



Monthly Newsletter

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Director's Corner

Happy New Year to All,

I hope that everyone was able to enjoy their break with family and/or friends and found that the time you had during the break was exactly what you needed or wanted! Our 2017 has come to a close and I can honestly say I am super excited to see what 2018 has on in store for us! I am claiming it to be a year of positivity in every area of my life and those who are in my life in any way. I know it will be! We had a great December closing out our semester with a fun Observer Week, sharing with our parents and others! So many of you brought special gifts to me and I cannot thank you all enough. Whether it was a home-made treat, a spa treat, a special photo, card, gift-card, plant, or any of the other wonderfully thoughtful and kind gifts that came my way, I cannot thank you enough! Each gift was super special, but the gift of teaching your child is the most precious gift of all and I will be forever grateful for this gift, most of all! So, thank you, thank you, thank you!

I am sure you have read, heard, seen the exciting news about our studio move! Yes, that is correct! **TDW is moving!** But not to worry... it is just up the road, literally! I have been watching this building since it was built and no one has ever been in it. Finally just as my lease is coming up for renewal, there is a "for rent" sign in place! How could this possibly even be happening? I asked myself. Sure enough, though, it was available and I jumped at the chance to make that happen. While it may not be ideal to move mid year, I know that it is the right thing to do! The parking is AMAZING! We are in 1 single plaza with shops that are much more conducive to our families and I think you all will LOVE it as much as I already do!

I hope each of you has seen the posting for our nomination as Lee County's Favorite Dance Studio! I posted it on FB and asked all our families and friends to vote! I hope you will do so! We would love to take that fun title with us into 2018!

On the Cover of A Magazine costumes, backdrops, etc., have been ordered and we are moving ahead in full production mode. You will also soon see our **Summer Programs** posted as well, so keep an eye for those announcements as well!

Congrats to **Natasha Phillips** for winning our Cyber Media Contest! We look forward to seeing her in one of our Adult Classes soon!

Of course, lastly I must say thank you to all those who offered support during the loss of my father right before the holidays. I am eternally grateful. What I will say is that I know for sure he was coaching hard on January 1st



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and 8th when the Alabama Crimson Tide won their play off in the Sugar Bowl and then the National Championship! Roll Tide!

Merde' Cheryl

Upcoming Events

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January 9: Adult Ballet 6 Week Session Begins

January 13: CP Performance at St. Andrews Fair 1:00 PM

January 15: Studio IS open for MLK day

February:

February 3-4: Tap Intensive,



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February 15: Adult Ballet 6 wk Series Ends

February 19: Studio Open (Presidents Day)

February 22nd New Adult Ballet Series Begins

As we begin a NEW YEAR!

2018

INSIDE THE CLASSROOM

For those family members who are unable to observe your dancer in class, this section of our newsletter will give you an overview of what they are doing and learning in class each month and information that faculty would like for parents to know.

Ms. Cheryl:

January is the month we begin to pick up our pace in all of my classes. Steps and combinations are harder and faster and begin to come together as pieces of choreography that become routines! Recital pieces will be worked on in the coming months but whether or not a student is participating in the show does not hinder their

learning, as each combination and choreographic



Miss Gabby



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Hello to all my students parents, I hope everyone had a great Christmas and New Years! We are starting the new year off fresh by advancing the level of difficulty for our center combinations. Now that the students are starting to absorb the technique tips that were given the first half of the year, I'm trying to include more movements that focus on self expression. Also now that recital season is coming we need to make sure that we are all staying on top of our absences. We are vamping up on the material learned within class, so I just want to make sure no one gets lost or confused with material.

INSIDE THE CLASSROOM Cont.

Miss Maria

Hello parents and families,

For the month of December my students and I have continued to work towards new skills and technique so that we are ready to start putting our recital pieces together in February. The students had a great time in class during observation week. They loved showing their families everything they have learned so far and they are excited to learn more things throughout the new year!



Best Regards,
Maria Savoia

Miss Abbie

Hip Hop 1: I am very proud of the growth and energy they have been giving me as a whole. They have worked on perfecting their combo as well as perfecting their break dancing skills. Also, they are learning musicality and their own style within the combos that are taught.

Teen/Tween: My teen/tween hip hop class shows their” sass and spunk” throughout all the combos we have learned. The last few things we learned before we left for the New Year was improvisation and making up their own combos. It is very important at this stage of hip hop that they are able to improve and freestyle when asked.

Hip Hop 2: This class has been going through across the floors quickly and successfully. Hip Hop 2 has learned many different styles of dance as well as learning the history and culture of each style and





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perfecting their first break dancing combo. As they step into the new year they will continue to be challenged and the class will seem a bit harder for them to grow as a hip hop dancer. Keep up the good work!

Pre Hip Hop: My little hip hoppers have been doing so well. They ended 2017 with a combo that incorporated break dancing moves into it. As they get more comfortable with across the floor I will be adding more moves to their across the floor to build their knowledge on hip hop.

Adult Hip Hop: This class starts off with cardio and endurance training, throughout the year they learned many different combos. This class learns many different styles as well as put them into long combos to help them remember the new moves they learn.

INSIDE THE CLASSROOM Cont.



Mr. Edwin

Happy New year 2018

For January ,Pre- Ballet will continue in the process of counting and understanding differences between musical styles and rhythms using different elements (ribbons,tambourines), which will take them to a better level of coordination!

Our students from level I to level !V will go into the next step in technique and more complex combinations according with each level.

Levels III and IV will face the medium and big jumps on center exercises on much difficult and longer combinations and point classes will start into variations of Classical repertoire...

Let's make of this new year a great one..

Miss Dawnette

Wishing all of our wonderful families a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We had a wonderful showing at our Parents Open House the week before we closed for winter break.So happy you all enjoyed the refreshments and the children were delighted with the cookies and homemade cupcakes!!!



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Just to remind you... There are still a few of you that have not given me a copy of your credit card and also have not made it clear if you wish to be on auto pay. Please check with me when you can so we can fix this and have things run smoothly for you. In these few first months as administrator I have tried hard to learn all I can and thank you for your patients if any errors were made.

I am looking forward to starting off the new year in our **NEW STUDIO!!**
Aren't you excited!!



And finally... Thank you to all of the students who remembered me at Christmas. Your sweet little gifts and sentiments meant so much.

A FEW NOTES FOR YOU

IMPORTANT RE: THE VENDING MACHINE...

As we are moving soon, the vending machine in the lobby will no longer accept credit/debit cards ...

Cash only. The front desk does not have change so plan accordingly.



Refer a friend:

If you refer a friend, and that friend signs up and pays for the month of classes, you can receive 50% for one of your classes that you take for the month!

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