SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

The NDSD Competition Team will begin competing in a few weeks. The team has been learning routines and rehearsing since August. These dancers work very hard at doing what they love!

Please see the dates below and come out to cheer them on! Detailed schedules will be available for each competition about a week before the event!

Competitions:

Jan 17-19: Nuvo @ Adoba Dearborn

Feb 7-9: Dancemakers @ Adoba Dearborn

March 7-9: Hall of Fame @ Walled Lake N HS



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Welcome Back! We are hopeful that everyone had a wonderful holiday and that you were able to relax and enjoy time with family and friends,

Hopefully you feel refreshed and renewed because the fun is about to begin! We have less than 19 weeks to prepare for our recital and there is so much to do. This newsletter is packed with information on recital dates and shows, studio rehearsals and dress rehearsals, ticket sales.

pictures and costumes. So, please read over the information carefully. We want you to be able to do as much advanced planning as possible.

Also, please be conscious of payment due dates highlighted in the issue. On time payments are very important and are actually prerequisites for upcoming events. If you have any questions after reading this newsletter, please see our desk staff.

In the coming weeks, you will be receiving many communications through email. Although we have already resolved many email issues, we want to be sure that everyone is receiving the communications. Please check your email inbox and verify that you are receiving email from <a href="mailto:nds/mailt

If not, immediately follow these

steps:

- Send an email from your email account to ndsd@norettadunworth.com
- Enter the following in the Subject line: Please verify my email
- If you do not receive confirmation within 24 hours of sending the above email, please print a copy of the email and give it to one of our desk staff.

We are looking forward to the fun weeks ahead leading up to our annual recital. Your dancers continue to grow week after week and their passion is contagious! Thank you for your continued support and dedication to the arts.

Loni & Noretta

THANK YOU

To all of our students and parents,

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for making our Christmas so special. Your best wishes, gifts and love is much appreciated. We love our kids and we love our job. Here's to 2014!

Thank you, Noretta, Loni and NDSD staff

IMPORTANT DATES

Payment # 5	Jan 6-11
Payment # 6	Jan 27- Feb I
Picture Fee	Jan 27- Feb I
Costume	1/31
Balances	
Payment # 7	Feb 24 - Mar I
Payment # 8	Mar 24 - 29
Picture Week	Apr I4
Recital Tickets	Apr 27
Payment # 9	Apr 28- May 3

A Bit of Housekeeping.....

- * There are rubber mats in the studio vestibule. Please be courteous and remove your wet boots/shoes. Remember our dancers walk around barefoot.
- * No Parking/Standing along side of the fence. This has proven to be very dangerous for our dancers. One way, Drive through ONLY.
- st No food or drinks are allowed in the lobby or dressing rooms
- * Make sure your dancer's name is in his/her shoes. Many are getting lost/misplaced.
 - Only NDSD staff, when working, are to be behind the desk or sitting in the spare chair at the desk. This includes dancers and parents. Please, it is uncomfortable when our desk staff has to request you to follow the guidelines.



LET THE MUSIC BEGIN

May 24 & 25, 2014

On Saturday, May 24th and Sunday, May 25th, Noretta Dunworth School of Dance will perform it's 74th annual recital at the Michael Guido Theater in Dearborn.

There will be 4 shows. Recital A will be on Saturday @ 7 p.m. and Recital B, C, & D will be on Sunday,

Please note, your dancer may be in more than one show and all of his/her dances may not be in the same show. Line-ups for each show (i.e. dances and order of dances) will be available in the coming weeks and posted in the studio lobby.

Dress Rehearsals will be as follows:

- Show A: Thursday evening, May 22nd
- Show B: Friday evening, May 23rd
- Show C: Saturday morning, May 24th
- Show D: Saturday afternoon, May 24th

PICTURE DAY

Professional dance pictures will be taken for our recital program by CEVENT PICS during the week of April 14th.

Every group number will have a class picture taken in costume for the recital program. Individual pictures can also be taken of your dancer at this time and purchased separately.

Group picture fees are \$10/class due by February I, 2014. This is a mandatory per class charge. (ex. Dancer is in ballet, tap, jazz, hip hop, and lyrical. Your group picture fee is \$50.)

Additionally, if you are buying a spot in the program for your dancer's individual picture and special message, the fee will be due with your group picture fee on Feb Ist. See Recital Program Ad section below for more details.



Studio Rehearsals: We will run through the each recital twice leading up to dress rehearsals. Below is the schedule:

- Saturday, May 3rd: Show A: Noon–3pm; Show B: 4 pm-7 pm
- Sunday, May 4th: Show C: Noon–3pm; Show D: 4 pm-7 pm
- Saturday, May 10th: Show A: Noon– 3pm; Show B: 4 pm-7 pm
- Saturday, May 17th: Show C: Noon– 3pm; Show D: 4 pm-7 pm

GET YOUR TICKETS!

Recital ticket sales will be on Sunday, April 27th

Your designated time to buy tickets will be based on the Lottery Number that you picked during registration.

All balances (tuition, pictures, costumes, etc. and competition fees. if applicable) must be paid in full before you will be eligible to purchase recital tickets.

COSTUMES:

Costume Balances are due on January 31st. All balances must be paid before any costume can be distributed. Please see the desk staff for balance due information. Costumes will begin arriving this month and will definitely be here before picture week. Please be sure your balance is paid by the due date so you may pick up your dancer's costumes as soon as possible.

NDSD Dance Bags will be for sale again in March. Contact for more information:

- Carolina (carolina.pluszczynski@gmail.com)
- Carey (cs_kelly@hotmail.com)

Recital Program Ad:

Again this year, you will be able to purchase a full page or 1/2 page in the recital program. Submission Forms will be available at the front desk and will have all of the specifications (number of characters, number of people per picture per ad type, business sponsored ads, etc.)

Forms and payment must be submitted by February 1st with group picture fees. As pictures for your ad will be taken during picture week, understanding how many ad pictures are required will help with scheduling for CEVENT PICs.

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