

Amazin News

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

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Important Policies

TUITION PAYMENTS

Monthly payments are due by the 7th of each month. A late fee of \$10 will be charged if payments are late! Checks may be mailed in to:
Amazin Grace Dance Studio
6503 Campbell Blvd.
Lockport, NY 14094

COSTUME PAYMENTS

Costume fees are due by October 30th, 2010. If payment is not received by that date your child's costume will not be ordered. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**
Fees are:
\$60 per costume
\$72 - 1X
\$75 - 2X
\$80 - 3X
\$8 Tight Fee
\$10 Tight Fee for Size D

Please use the bathroom **BEFORE** class begins!!!

Welcome to all of our students and their family's! The staff here at Amazin Grace is very excited for the upcoming dance season. We are looking forward to getting to know you all throughout the year!

Dance Attire

Students in toddlers or combos wear pink leotards and pink tights. Any other student wears a black leotard with tan tights or pink if in ballet. Ladies may wear black sports bras if needed. Hair must be neatly pulled back out of the face. **No jewelry** is allowed except for small earrings for safety reasons. Water bottles only to class, no juice, pop, etc. Dance bags are encouraged to help your child keep track of all of their belongings.

Watch Week

Watch week will be the first Monday of every month through the Saturday for classes in the purple room. October 4-9 will be the 1st watch week. Purple room classes will switch with yellow & you may watch through the view window.



Our 2010 -2011 Recital theme is "On Broadway"

It is the responsibility of the parents and students to get the newsletter and information from either the website www.amazingracedance.com under the newsletter link or from the information rack that is in the waiting room. **WE ARE NOT HANDING THEM OUT ANYMORE!!**

Pink Cards

Due to major issues in the past year with students not following the dress code we are enforcing a new policy. Students not in proper dress code including hair, jewelry, and shoes will be given **1** verbal warning by the their teacher and will have their name recorded.

If there's a 2nd offense the student will be given a pink card that must be signed by a parent (we will check don't try to forge:D) If it happens again student will not be allowed to participate in class and parents will be called in for a meeting with Mrs. Kraft.

Staff Notes

A warm welcome to our new teacher Miss Kelly E!! She is teaching a variety of classes and is teaching Miss Kelly G's classes until she is back from maternity leave! Miss Kim K. who taught the teachers last year is now teaching our younger cheer classes, so welcome back to her! Welcome back to Mrs. Jurdi who is our office secretary!

Teacher Feature: Miss Jourdan Schneider

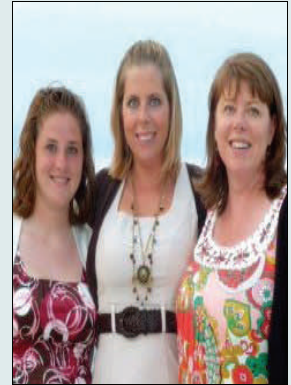
Miss Jourdan is our ballet and pointe teacher here at Amazin Grace. She has been dancing for 20 years now, a majority have been dedicated exclusively to ballet training. Her dance career began at Dyan Mulvey's where she took tap, jazz, and ballet. From there she began ballet training at Feder's and also at Lockport City Ballet. For 15 years, Miss Jourdan was a part of the Nutcracker Ballet

at Greater Niagara Dance Company and Lockport City Ballet!

Miss Jourdan also went on to study dance at NCCC where she was a part of the Tanzen dance company under the direction of Kim Knieriem. While in Tanzen, Miss Jourdan choreographed several pieces and expanded her dance repertoire by learning new and exciting dance forms. Her studies

also afforded her the chance to dance with Zephyr Dance Company out of Chicago. She also took part in a summer dance intensive with the Radio City Rockettes!

Currently, Miss Jourdan is working at several jobs and is also attending Buffalo State College working towards her Bachelors in English Education! She will be student teaching in the spring, and is planning her wedding for 2011!



Miss Jourdan (center)
With sister Elisa (Left) and her Mom (right)

Ranks of a Ballerina

"A ballerina takes steps given to her and makes them her own. Each individual brings something different to the same role,"
Maria Tallchief

A **ballerina** (Italian for *female dancer*) is a title used to describe a principal female professional ballet dancer in a large company; the male equivalent to this title is **danseur** (French) or **ballerino** (Italian).

Although the term *ballerina* is commonly used informally to describe any female ballet dancer, it was a rank given only to the most

exceptional female soloists. The opera singer informal equivalent is *diva*. More or less, depending on the source, the rankings for women, from highest to lowest, used to be:

- *Prima ballerina, première sujet*
- *Sujet*
- *Coryphée*
- *Corps de ballet*

For men, the ranks were:

- *Premier danseur noble*
 - *Premier danseur*
 - *Sujet*
 - *Coryphée*
 - *Corps de ballet*
- Wwww.wikipedia.com*

Congratulations!



Nora Cate Greiner

Born September 1st
8 lbs, 2 oz., 20 1/2in.



Levi David Beam

Born July 18th
7lbs 0 oz., 20in.

