

# SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

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## WELCOME BACK!!

Welcome back dancers! We hope you all had a wonderful summer and are ready for another fun-filled dance year. If you have any questions regarding ~~APA~~, the instructors, or how we do things around here, please stop by the front desk. We would love to help you out!

## OFFICE HOURS

We are open Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 9:30 p.m. Someone will be available at the front desk to assist you with questions that you may have during these times.

## THANK YOU

Thank you for your patience as we delve into another dance year! The first few months are very hectic. Please bear with us as we strive to offer the best customer service possible.

## ACCOUNTS

Please note that if your dancer has a different last name than whoever is billed, PLEASE write his/her name in the memo of

your check or on the envelope to ensure your account is properly credited. Also specify that your tuition is for dance. A payment box is located in the foyer area for your convenience. Please make sure all cash is in an envelope. Also please call or stop by the front desk and update any address or phone number changes.

## STUDENT RIDES

Because of the high volume of students that come and go each day and our busy office environment, office staff cannot be responsible for making sure dancers are paired up with their correct ride home after classes. If you have restrictions on who can pick up your dancer after class, please make your dancer aware of this. If your dancer is approached by someone they are not allowed to go with, have them go directly to the front desk and we will do all we can to keep your dancer safe. It may also be helpful to have another dance parent aware of your request that they can intervene if necessary.

## INFORMATION PACKETS

If you haven't received your information packet,

please pick them up at the front desk. This packet contains important information about the ~~APA~~ that is beneficial to you. Plus, your t-shirt can win you some excellent prizes! Make sure you have yours **TODAY!**

## IMPROVEMENTS!

As you can see, we've made some improvements to ~~APA~~. Our student lounge has a new vibrant color and check out the purple bathroom! We have some new pictures on our walls thanks to Stillwater Photography. We have new teachers: **Jenn Walker, Julianne McLean, and Crissy Johnson.** We also have new office staff: **Sara Russell.** Please take the time to introduce yourself to our new staff and help them get to know you!

## STUDENT LOUNGE

If your dancer needs to wait in the student lounge please remember to send quiet activities (homework, etc) for them to do. Feel free to bring snacks but please remember to clean up af-

ter yourselves so your lounge stays clean.

### WINTER PERFORMANCE

This year, **APA** will be wowing the valley with "Ebenezer Scrooge." This is an original holiday production to benefit those in need in the valley. We will be combining our dance and music students. Our company dancers and apprentices chosen will be involved with this show. Rehearsals are held Fridays and Saturdays beginning September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The show dates are December 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, & 18<sup>th</sup>. We would love to see you there! Help us make this a memorable holiday season!

### ATTENDANCE

Parents, if your dancer is planning to be gone, please call us or stop by the front desk and let us know of their absence. If your dancer is gone for two consecutive weeks without notification, their spot is forfeited to the next dancer on the waiting list. Call 755-0139 to report any absences.

### LOCKERS

Please use the lockers located in each bathroom to store your things so we can keep the hallways free of clutter.

### DANCE ATTIRE

A leotard and tights are required for all female dancers at all levels. Jazz pants and tight fitting t-shirts for males. Shoes must be purchased from **APA** to ensure proper fit and uniform style. If proper dress is not worn to class, the instructor can request that the dancer does not participate in class. Don't let that happen to you!

### MUSIC PROGRAM

Did you know **APA** has a full music program? Our experienced and friendly teachers offer private lessons in voice, piano, guitar, woodwinds and brass! Don't just plunk around on those household instruments - play them! Ask the front desk for more information.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY SHONI AND SARA!

September 24<sup>th</sup> is Shoni and Sara's birthday! Make sure to give them a hug and tell them how young they are!



### SPRING PERFORMANCE DATES

The Spring Performance is scheduled for June 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>h</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

### LAST YEAR'S VIDEOS

Remember to pick up your videos of last spring's performance "Everything Old is New Again." If you have any questions or concerns about your video, please contact Lunar Productions at 755-4717.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Academy of The Performing Arts is looking for people who would be willing to volunteer their time and talents this year for things such as: Setting up of show sets, hauling of props to the high school, (generally muscle help but having a truck helps too!) Also things such as miscellaneous help around the Academy for things like maintenance when needed. We would very much appreciate any help from dads and/or moms who are willing to help and have the time. If you are interested please talk to Amy at the front desk or Shoni.

## WHAT'S AHEAD

Coming Up Next month:

- ❖ Friend Week
- ❖ Costume Measurement Week
- ❖ Costume Poster goes up!!!
- ❖ The Great Costume Swap 2005