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Dance.... It's not just what we do.... It's what we love!

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Happy New Year!

- Check out our slide show posted on the announcements page on our website! go to www.cricketsperformingarts.com/announcements
- Just a reminder that tuition is due by the 10th of each month. Late fees accrue on the 11th. -\$5.00 per week, per class type. Pay early-by the 1st of each month and receive a discount!
- Wondering if we have class because the weather is questionable? Check the announcements or calendar pages of our website

Parent Observation Week– January 19-24th

Because we want you to see what goes on behind the scenes, during the week of January 19-24th, parents may sit-in on their child's entire class. ("how did my child learn that" –or "Ahhhhh..... that's why she's going around the house saying/doing that!!!"). Please, remember to turn off cell phones & pagers, and we ask that you act as though you are a fly on the

wall and **not** talk to your child. We will be practicing our pieces that we'll be performing at Parent's Night (the following week) and allow time at the end of class for questions and photos. Maybe even get you to try a step or two!

Parents Night—In-Studio Performances

January 26-29th

There will be no regular classes this week.. Each class comes in on their "regular night", at 6:30 pm with performances beginning 6:45pm. Light refreshments will be served afterwards. Limited seating. Saturday morning classes (Petite Company, Juvie-Petite Ballet & Mini Company) students will come in on

Thursday evening, and Competing Company will be in every night.

This will also be the nights where we will be "unveiling" June show costume selections.

Welcome
Lucas Anthony Zoller
to the world!

Born December 25th, 2008
6:25am
8lbs, 6 oz
21 inches long

Congratulations Mommy
Sapphira, Daddy Nathan &
Big Brother Pierce!

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Keep Miss Kristin in your thoughts and prayers as she recovers from surgery. She should be back teaching with us soon!

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S	
				Happy New Year! 1 Early Payment #5 of 10 due	Studio closed 2	Studio closed 3	
Studio closed 4	Welcome back to class! 5	Miss Sarah's Petite Jazz class meets 7:30pm 6				Payment #5 of 10 due St. Anne's Home Performance 2:00pm 10	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
	Parent observation week –regular class times January–19-24th						
25	Open House/In Studio Performances 6:30-8:00pm Monday 26th – Thursday 29th (Saturday classes are in on Thursday)					29	Mandatory All-Company rehearsal & workshop 9 am-noon 31



Expanding & Continuing Our Education

Teachers, Ms Cricket, Ms Sapphira, Miss Kristin & Miss Sarah attended the Project Motivate seminars during the United Dance Merchant's

Dance Resource & Costume Creview Show in New Jersey. Ms Cricket also attended the fashion show where more than twenty costume companies presented this year's costumes, and Bad Boys of Dance and Pretty Girls of dance members, Ashley Canterna & Craig DeRosa Performed.

Ms Cricket, Miss Sarah & Baylee Sexton went to Maple Shade New Jersey on November 16, 2008 for dance classes in ballet with Rachel Hamrick, Hip Hop with Pat-y-O, Tap with Ann Cooley-Presley, and jazz class with Kris Ashley. And when Ms Cricket attend the Ohio star Ball, she also attended lectures with Rufus Dustin, Linda Dean, John Timmons, Garry Mc Donald, Diana McDonald, and Michael Chapman

Happy Birthday January Babies



- 1/6 Ana Carlton
- 1/7 Victoria Moreno
- 1/9 Elizabeth McCormick
- 1/17 Khloe Brotzman
- 1/21 Emilie Miller
- 1/27 Vicka Carlton
- 1/30 Hannah Weiss

Fundraiser Drawing Winners—

Students who sold 10 or more items from the Gianni's fundraiser were placed in a drawing for \$30.00 in Dancing Dollars. Those students are- Hannah Kraenbring, Ana Carlton, and Avalynn Baer

Summer Camps scheduled—



Evening Camps throughout July, including Fancy Nancy & Pinkalicious, Purpalicious and Cowboy Camp. Baby Ballet Camp ages 3-5 & Kidz Kamp ages 5-7, August 10-15

Ages 7 & up full and/half day August 17-21st



Dress like a dancer.....act like a dancer Dress Code reminder—

Parents and students are reminded that students will learn better when they are focused on class, not what they're wearing. A leotard, tights, hair in bun or braid and off the face. No skirts, tutu's extraneous decorations. They become very distracting to the students, not to mention the teacher threatening to cut them off because the student he/she is playing with them or.... The teacher can't see the student's body for proper alignment. Please save those items for playing at home, or special theme days where costumes are permitted for class.

December 6th Moravian Manor and Manheim Tree Lighting —Performances—

What a busy day it was! A lot of our dancers were at the studio at 8am for class and rehearsal, then performed at Moravian Manor Retirement Community.

As organized as Ms. Cricket thought she was, she sent Miss Michelle and Mrs. Sexton back to the studio for the Chinese jackets! It was so much fun warming-up in the hallway to "Santa's Reindeer" with all our performers....then there was a sound system malfunction....what next! Dancers & families returned to the studio for refreshments and relaxation and then it snowed! How pretty it was!!! BTW—thank you parents for the fantastic food! The bone-chilling cold did not deter the (ballet company) Tree Lighting performers one bit —although the performance area was salted and swept, they danced on slushy bricks! The Sugar Plum Fairy lost her shoes, and the Polichinelles sat on



Alexis "Sugar Plum Fairy" Kaufhold with Bella Marro and Sofie Fisher after the performance at Moravian Manor

the wet ground! What troopers they are. The dancers were fantastic—thank you dancers and your parents—Madison Kreider, Liliana Lehman, Corra Lewis, Tori Long, Lance Stief, Irene Turner, Sofie Fisher, Trinity Haldeman, Bella Marro, Victoria Moreno, Kathryn Passarelli, Taylor Zajac, Elizabeth Martin, Khloe Brotzman, Ashley David, Jocelyn Elzer, Kayla Kolb, Paige Kreisher, Elizabeth McCormick, Gillian Stewart, Sarai Raia, Alyssa Balmer, Harley Ditzler, Alexis Kaufhold, Laura Sahd, Hannah Weiss, Ashlyn Zikmund, Katie Citko, Morgan Kopp, Baylee Sexton, Averie Snader, Carissa Stief, Calesta Groff, Saige Wolgemuth and Ally Kim.