

# ADAGI



## Thought of the Month

*Dance isn't something that can be explained in words; it has to be danced ~ Paige Arden*  
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### The Director's Chair



September was a month to get to know one another, review from last year and get the dancers back into shape.

During the month of October we will continue to perfect these skills as they learn more advanced moves. We will also have a great time during our Annual "Bring a Friend Week"-it's always fun!

Don't be surprised if you start hearing Christmas tunes. We will be starting on our dances for the holiday performance coming in December. These dates are not yet decided but we will let you know as soon as possible.

I hope everyone gets a little free time to enjoy this beautiful fall weather!

**DCPAC  
Teachers/Staff**



### Scheduled Observation



Observation weeks are scheduled for December and March.

They are as follows:

Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> - Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011  
Mar. 5<sup>th</sup> - Mar. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Open window viewing for all recital and technique classes are as follows:

October 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>  
January 2<sup>nd</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>  
April 30<sup>th</sup> - May 5<sup>th</sup>

**Mark Your Calendar Now for our  
Annual Bring a Friend Week &  
Halloween Parties  
Mon, Oct 24<sup>th</sup> - Thu, Oct 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Recital Students may bring a friend to all of their classes  
Competition students may bring a friend only  
to technique classes (not rehearsal times)**

If you would like to send in some type of treat for the students to take home after class you are welcome to do so. Please ask the teacher about the number of students in the class and remember they may be bringing a friend.

**Halloween Week is Always a Great Time  
We dance with pumpkins, skeletons, black lights and  
strobe lights.**

**The studio will be closed Mon, 10/31 for Halloween!**

# COMPETITION CORNER

## 2011 / 2012 Competition- Convention Schedule

All Conventions are required for Dynamic Dance Force. Conventions are not required, but strongly recommended, for Midwest Power Pak.

### LA Dance Magic

Union Station

January 14 – 15, 2012

Fees Due – November 23, 2011

### Adrenaline Convention

Hilton St. Louis Ballpark

January 27 - 29, 2012

Fees Due – December 14, 2011

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Competitions are required for all PP & DDF students.

### StarPower

St. Charles Convention Center

March 9 – 11, 2012

Fees Due – January 25, 2012

### Masquerade

Gateway Convention Center

March 29 – April 1, 2012

Fees Due – February 13, 2012

### Show Stopper

St. Charles Convention Center

May 4 - 6, 2012

Fees Due – March 20, 2012

### Star Quest

Scottish Rite

May 18 - 20, 2012

Fees Due – April 3, 2012

### NATIONALS 2011/2012

#### StarPower

Branson Convention Center

200 E. Main Street

Branson, MO 65616

June 29 – July 3, 2012

Fees Due – May 15, 2012

## Costume Size Selection

Parents please remember to stop by the front desk and select your child's costume size. Costume pictures and your child's measurements are available to look at. The sooner the better – Thank you!

## Birth Certificates

Every competition dancer requires proof of each dancer's age by a birth certificate. If we do not have a copy of your birth certificate on file, please turn it in at the front desk ASAP.

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## Costume Payment Schedule

**Payments of \$35 per  
competition costume are due  
on the following dates:**

**1 – Sept. 19, 2011**

**2 – Oct. 3, 2011**

**3 – Oct. 17, 2011**

**4 – Nov. 1, 2011**

**5 – Nov. 14, 2011**

**6 – Nov. 28, 2011**

**Please keep current with your  
payments. A \$5.00 fee per  
costume will be charged for any  
payments made after the  
scheduled payment date.**



## Big/Little Sister/Brother Drawing

Big/Little...Sister/Brother for both teams will be assigned on:

**MWPP Thu, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>**

**6:30-7:15**

**DDF Sat, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**11:30-12:15**

Everyone be sure to come up to the studio during these times so you can meet your

big/little sister/brother

Don't Miss Out!

Signups are on the Team Bulletin Board. If you are interested in being a part of the Big/Little.Sister/Brother please sign up.

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## Competition Team Fall Festival Celebration

**Sunday, October 30, 2011**

**4:00 pm – 8:00 pm**

Bonfire, s'mores, hot dogs, hot chocolate...and fun!

The sign-up sheet and details are posted at the studio. Please keep the date open.





## Featured Master Teacher of the Month

**Kristin Adkins**

Kristin taught for DuFrenne in Florissant from 1986-1990. She loves dance and continues her love for dance by taking classes at COCA and is currently taking Ballroom Dance at Dance Pizzazz.

Kristin is also the Co-Director for Flip Side Gymnastics, which keeps her very busy, in addition to a mother of two wonderful boys.

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### A Well Stocked Dance Bag

Now is the time to clean out and restock your dance bag. Here is a list of some of the items you need in your bag. Don't forget to put your name on everything.

- Your dance schedule
- All your dance shoes
- Proper dance wear
- Hair ties, brush, sprays, pins
- Water bottle & snacks
- Screwdriver & screws for taps
- Copies of solo or duet music
- First aid supplies: band aids, personal hygiene items



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### Get the latest news!

Visit our website at <http://www.stldcpac.com> and click on the link "CHECK HERE FOR RECENT INFORMATION" to see the latest news.

## September / October Birthdays

The following people celebrate their birthday in the months of September & October.

**Happy Birthday!**

### September Birthdays

Kayla Coleman, Sierra Goodson, Samatha Grasser, Brooke Harris, Jessica Harris, Charlotte Hawn, Haley Higgins, Graycen Hollowell, Elaine Karbowski, Addy Krueger, Ryann Kruse, Caitlin Lewellan, Reilly McCormack, Aimee Moore, Annie Swift, Emily Truitt, Alexa Wade, Jillian Wallich, Lauren Walther, Hannah Weller, Bergin Wheeler

### October Birthdays

Karlie Becker, Ashlynn Bozich, Grace Davis, Carly Everding, Autumn Halaney, Cailyn Hodges, Breanna Holland, Kayla Knowlton, Hannah Labeau, Lexi Lewis, Claire Mascia, Preslee Nast, Khloe Niehoff, Lynsey Putnam, Jaci Putnam, Trevor Saunders, Asza Schmierbach-King, Delaney Squires, Madison Steitz, Jazlynn Villon, Rebecca Weller, Chloe Wilding



## Dress Code Technique Only Students

All Students are required to wear proper clothing to dance class. Regulation dance attire allows the best freedom of movement for all dancers, gives your teacher the best view of body alignments for correction and adds a professional appearance to class. Students will not be able to enter the “technique only” ballet classes without the proper attire. Also, it is unacceptable for a student to enter a ballet class late because they were changing into ballet attire. Students need to be prepared.

**Parents we appreciate your assistance and support in this matter.**

### Birthday Celebrations!

We invite you to celebrate your birthday with a dance party.

Jazz, Ballet and preschool parties are available. We also offer two specialty themes. You can have a Hip-Hop or Sock-Hop celebration! Additional themes are also offered for preschool parties.

Contact the front desk for more details.

### Girls Attire:

**Ballet** - a black leotard, pink tights and pink split sole ballet shoes, hair secured back, preferably in a bun.

**Jazz** - a solid color leotard or half top with dance shorts (not too short or loose) or jazz pants. Pink, black or tan tights and jazz shoes. Dance sneakers will be allowed for funk/hip-hop classes only.

**Tap** - same attire as ballet with tap shoes at the discretion of the teacher.

### Boys Attire:

**Ballet** - solid color sweat pants (hem below feet is not allowed), a solid color or DCPAC T-shirt, black leather ballet shoes or neoprines.

**Jazz** - same attire as ballet with Jazz shoes. Dance sneakers will be allowed for funk/hip-hop classes only.

**Tap** - same attire as ballet with tap shoes at the discretion of the teacher.

## Lobby Etiquette

Lobby etiquette has become part of our teaching which includes respect for the arts, teachers and facility. We feel it is important to teach dance, as well as, assist you in building the character of your child. Please help us by reminding your children of these lobby rules and setting a good example for them.

### Please remember:

1. Speak softly.
2. Always walk, do not run.
3. Do not throw balls or objects inside the studio.
4. Children are not allowed to play in the dance rooms.
5. Keep food and drinks in the lunchroom only.
6. Throw away your trash.
7. Put the toys away when you're done.
8. Do not block the front desk or hallways causing others to have to step over you or your personal items.
9. Only speak kind words.
10. Do not gossip.
11. Enjoy observing your child, don't worry about others.
12. Never leave a child under the age of 10 unattended between classes.
13. Have your child wait inside for pickup.
14. Do not knock on observation window or disrupt class at any time.
15. Smile and enjoy your time here.

