

FOOTNOTES....

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DANCE STARTS SEPT. 7th

OPEN HOUSES . . .

SAT. AUG. 14 & 28.....10 am to 4pm
M-Tu W Aug 16-18 6-9 pm

PLEASE REMEMBER TO WEAR OR BRING SOCKS OR TIGHTS FOR SHOE FITTINGS.

PLEASE PLAN ON COMING TO ONE OF THE OPEN HOUSES TO GET FITTED FOR SHOES BEFORE YOUR FIRST LESSON.

It will really help our first class go more smoothly if you are prepared with the proper dancewear BEFORE classes begin. IF you can't make one of these Open Houses, call and arrange a time you can come in to look at shoes so you will be prepared for the FIRST lesson. It is unfair to your child, and the rest of the class, to wait until the first class to think about new shoes for the fall.

We will have a supply of NEW shoes available at the Open Houses.

We can have your size available if you will call and let us know what size you need.

Used shoes will be available at all the Open Houses..

.. You can drop off your used shoes to sell at any time. It is advisable to drop them off BEFORE the Open Houses. I'D really LOVE IT if people would drop off their used shoes before the Open Houses. Then we will have a decent supply when people come in to be fitted. If you drop off your shoes at your first lesson, when most people are already set, they sit there all year long.

You may drop off shoes and leave them by the inside front door if no one is there. Just be sure your name is in them....

New beginner classes, kindergarten and newly formed jazz or ballet classes will begin the week of September 13th or later.

STUDIO INFO:

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Website : www.barbilee.com

REGISTRATION FOR ALL STUDENTS

You will find the fall registration form in this letter. Please send it back as soon as possible so you can get your place in the class of your choice.

PLEASE DON'T WAIT TIL OPEN HOUSES TO SEND BACK YOUR REGISTRATION FORM....THE STUDIO HAS BEEN WITHOUT FUNDS FOR MOST OF THE SUMMER AND WOULD

APPRECIATE SPEEDY RESPONSE TO REGISTRATION. If you pre-registered last spring, you **STILL NEED** to register NOW..

TUITION INFORMATION

We have not raised our tuition rates for several years. We find that we can no longer afford to operate without raising tuition a bit.

Tuition for this year's classes will be as follows:

BASIC COMBO CLASS

\$95 for an 8-week term (or \$12 per individual

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\$15 registration fee per family

3rd member of family is 1/2 price

Individual Combo class....\$12 per class if paid separately.

Total first payment - \$110

Extra jazz, pointe or ballet classes will be:

1st extra class per week.. \$64. per term(8.00)

2nd extra class per week ..\$56 per term (7.00)

3rd or 4th " " \$48

There will be a \$10 late fee charge on all tuition payments not paid by the third week that it becomes due.

SCHEDULE FOR FALL

I have been working on the fall schedule based on the form you turned in at recital time . It is complete except for some of the extra classes & beginners. Even if you did send in a form before, you will not be officially registered until we receive your registration, release, and tuition check for fall term.

If you DID NOT pre-register last spring, classes have been put together without your schedule in mind.

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS!!!

Please talk to neighbors, friends and relatives about the benefits of dance for their children. We had a good year . but we are counting on an even better year this year...Word of mouth advertising is the best there is...so.. We need ALL YOUR HELP to bring in new students. When so many children feel the pull to join competitive dance, we need to tell parents why our program is more beneficial to the young children. Can you help?

VIDEOS OF THE RECITAL

If you ordered a DVD of the dance recital it will be available for pick-up at the studio at Open Houses.

DANCE CAMPS..

We had a great Dance Camps so far this summer. The kids had fun and learned a lot of dance and life lessons..

We are still planning on Our Mini Camp on July 26-30.. And Camp 4 Aug. 2-6 There is still room .

WHY WE STUDY WHAT WE STUDY . . .

Classes at Barbi Lee are a combination of ballet, tap, jazz & acrobatics. **BALLET** is the foundation of all dance and so is especially necessary to the beginning student. **TAP** dance will teach rhythm and fast movement and fast thinking to help the dancer in moving quickly and in memorization of steps. **JAZZ** dance, because of the fun music, strikes at the soul of the dancer and frees the body to move more naturally. The amount of **ACROBATICS** we teach isn't excessive, just enough to keep the body limber.

Through the years we have discovered that the best dancer is a well-rounded dancer and the way to get the most out of your dance education is to be exposed to a forms of dance. The teacher who accepts students in Jazz alone is not doing the student any favor. Though it may well be the most fun form for the student, it is kind of like eating dessert all day. Nowhere are you getting the nutrition! — the real technique that a dancer needs!

Students at Barbi Lee study all forms of dance in the same lesson, sharing the time equally between ballet and tap and jazz. We have a recital at the end of the year in which the beginning through 3rd year students perform one dance in one of two performances. Students who have studied 4 years and up dance in both performances. When the student gets into Jr. High (if in an advanced level class by that time) she/he will perform 2 dances. Occasionally, if the student takes a lot of extra classes, they will do more than 2 dances in the show. Students performing many dances in the show have earned that right.

ATTENDANCE RULE

No student may perform in the recital who has missed more than 8 classes during the year. Please keep this in mind when registering for the year. Dance does require some commitment on your part.

NEW TEACHER TRAINING....

If you are at least an 8th grader, and in Level 8 or above, you may be interested in taking the teacher training workshop offered this summer. If you are wanting to do this, call me right away and I will send you the proper info. We will be meeting Aug.23-26 during the day....AND one day fo the next weekend.

PARENT PARTICIPATION

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you parents for your splendid co-operation and participation this past year. You know that our style of teaching works better when there is a parent there for each child. Parents who do come should take notes or record the lesson and oversee practice times. As the students of Jr. High age move into that next level where they don't require your everyday attendance, please keep in mind that they still need to be cared about, fussed over and brought to task now and then, so please watch occasionally. Please help them follow thru on practicing and bringing their tape players along to classes.

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Remember.....get this form returned to us as soon as possible. Why not do it right now.?

BEGINNERS

If you have friends who would like to start at Barbi Lee, please have them call for a "Beginners" newsletter, and let them know about our Open Houses. We will be starting new beginner classes in all age levels. Older beginners will be placed with students their own age. I would particularly like some boys this year.

BEGINNER INFO...

Beginner classes will not begin until the week of SEPTEMBER 13 or later

Students coming from another school with some experience should try to come to the Open House or meet with BARB to be tested

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LIST OF NEW CLASSES OFFERED 09/10

- Skippers..... Monday 6:30 or Sat. 930
Age 3 to 4 1/2.....\$45/7sessions
- KINDERGARTEN...AGE 5.. \$95/8 wks
Friday 3 pm
Mon. 4:15 TH 415
Weds 415 or 615 possible Sat. aft.
- BEGINNER 6-8..... \$95/8 sessions
Tues. 4:30or Sat. .Other times possible_
- BEGINNER 9-11..... \$95/8 sessions
Wed 515 .other times possible
- BEGINNING TEENS..... \$95/8 sessions
Time to be determined
- PRESCHOOL ...Age 4 \$95/8 sessions
Fri. 3 pm ...Th 415 or Sat. aft
- BEGINNING ADULT.....COMBO
time to be worked out.... \$80/8 sessions

If we have sufficient interest in a BOYS JAZZ & TAP CLASS we will fit it into the schedule.

MESSAGE FROM RHEE GOLD

When it seems that dance is taking up too much time or costing too much money, I ask you to realize that dance gives your child much more than another costume or another trophy. The kids who dance are off the street and focused on an art form that can only make them better people. Usually they are very smart kids who understand what hard work and determination are all about. Through dance they learn the skills that will get them into a good college or land that job that will make you burst with pride! But, most important, they are not the kids that we hear about on the news- doing things that shock us to the core. I say, congratulations on being able to give these opportunities to your child.!

CLASS LISTINGS

COMBO CLASS #1.....\$95/8wks

1 hour class, once a week consisting of ballet, tap & tumbling..Ages 4 & up..... Some jazz included from 2nd grade on up.

BALLET.....\$64/8wks*

1 hour technique class... Once a week.

Ages 9 and up. Includes pointe work for those aged 12 and up who qualify. MUST be used as a 2nd class.

JAZZ.....\$64/8wks*

1 hour technique class. Once a week.

Ages 9 and up. This class only available to students who are also enrolled in a Combo. class.

HIP HOP.....\$56/ 8 WKS*

Our newest, hippest kind of dance. Sometimes called "Street Dance". We are lucky enough to have . Ramicah Witz to teach this inspiring new style. Only available as a 3rd class. Age 10 and up please.

BOYS TAP & JAZZ.....\$95/8 wks

1 hour class, once a week consisting of basics of jazz and tap, with stretching, leaping, rhythm, noise, what more could a guy want?

ADULT COMBO.....\$95/ 8 wks

1 hour class, once a week consisting of basic conditioning moves of ballet & jazz plus the great rhythm of tap. Come on moms & dads...join the fun. (You don't have to wear a leotard!!!)

ADAPTIVE DANCE

For Children with disabilities. Our newest program. Taught by Kristi Barron. These classes will meet on Wednesdays. These classes are run by Capernaum and tuition is set by them.

ADULT BEGINNER TAP.OR BALLET.....\$95

1 hour class, once a week consisting of the basics of tap dancing...or the basic ballet barre and center .

*** these classes would be \$56 if 3rd class**

NEW & USED SHOES AND DANCEWEAR WILL
BE AVAILABLE AT THE OPEN HOUSES

EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM

We have been lucky to acquire the services of JILL KLEVE to direct our early childhood dance program. She is a former Barbi Lee pupil(since Age 5) who is working on her teaching degree from the U of M. She has been a Barbi Lee teacher for a number of years.

SKIPPERS CLASS TIMES....

TIME: Mondays 6:30-7:15 OR
Sat. morn 9:30

THE SKIPPERS#1\$45/7 sessions

Children aged 3 to 4

Your child will build co-ordination and motor skills by exploring rhythms, movements and dance. Tennis shoes and clothing for movement a must! A presentation will be done for parents at the 7th class. Parent involvement optional. Continues all year in new 7-week sessions.

BEGINNERS SCHEDULE

SKIPPERS.....MON 6:30 Or
Sat. 9:30

PRESCHOOL (must be 4).....FRI. 3, TH 4:15, S aft
KINDERGARTEN.....Mon, WE, TH, . 4:15 Sat

Fri. 3....other times possible but not after 5P
BEGINNING TEENS..... Times negotiable
ADULT BALLET(BEGIN IN OCT.).....TUES...1:30 pm

*BEG. 6-8 YRS...TU 4:30 , Sat Aft poss. Weds 5:15

*BEGINNER 9-11 YRS...Not set yet

*Adult Combo/ Adult Beg. Tap ..TIME NOT SET YET

*BOYS CLASS

*HIP HOP.... (Sat)

*AWAITING INPUT FROM THOSE INVOLVED

Often we set the classtime for new classes by getting input from those who want to join the class.

**If you would like to join a class but
the time doesn't seem right, please give
us a call. Maybe it can be worked out.**

WOULDN'T YOU WANT YOUR CHILD TO
LEARN THE ART OF DANCE IN A NURTURING
& NON-COMPETITIVE ATMOSPHERE?

SUMMER CLASSES.

WE HAD OK SUPPORT FOR OUR SUMMER CLASSES THIS YEAR.....BUT IT IS STILL VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE GREAT FALL REGISTRATION TO KEEP OUR STUDIO HEALTHY & VIBRANT FOR THE COMING YEAR. LET YOUR FRIENDS KNOW ABOUT US.

WHAT TO WEAR TO CLASS

Our Basic class outfit for students Lev II and up is
BLACK LEOTARD

PINK TIGHTS
PINK BALLET SHOES
BLACK TAP SHOES *

Under 8 yrs. old students may wear any color leotard and tights as long as it is plain.

BALLET SHOES...Pink for all except boys

Please do not fit ballet shoes too big.

JAZZ SHOES: BLACK for beginners and TAN for everyone else...Black shoes can still be worn for classes, but by recital time, we will need tan ones. Jazz students may wear Black Jazz pants (no baggy knees) and colored leotards. No shorts or skirts.

TAP: Advanced students who wear high-heeled tap shoes wear TAN. Everyone else wears BLACK. Graduated heel tap shoes are the kind where the heels are slightly higher than the beginner flat kind. And the taps are secured with screws instead of nails. The heel gets higher as the shoe gets larger in size. These are recommended for Level III - VI

All dancewear must be PLAIN solid-color.

NO . . . REPEAT... NO..... PATTERNED LEOTARDS OR BLOUSY LEOTARDS OR RUFFLED LEOTARDS OR SKIRTED LEOTARDS OR RUFFLED SLEEVES

All girls hair must be tied back away from the face and preferably off the neck. NO T-shirts, tank tops or sweat clothes are allowed in class.

And NO SCRUNCHIES.

All girls who need to wear a bra MUST wear a bra with leotards.

Note....THERE IS NO DRESS CODE FOR ADULT CLASSES OR SKIPPERS....

If your class is changing colors you may wear your old shoes until they no longer fit.

REMEMBER....New shoes will be available at Open House. As well as leotards and tights.

Please try to bring in your old shoes for selling BEFORE the Open Houses if you can. That way, more people will have a chance at them.

It is **STRONGLY** encouraged for the students to add extra ballet to their dance studies from Level IV on.

REMEMBER the advantages you get at

Barbi Lee.....Small classes (no more than 12 students), Excellent teachers (2,3 per class), an experienced, graded system of teaching with 46 years experience. AGE APPROPRIATE COSTUMES AND MUSIC...NO COMPETITION STRESS OR EXPENSEGreat opportunities for your children!

TEACHERS:

Please contact me about your schedules. Please plan to help at at least one of the Open Houses.. AND one Dance Camp or Dance Day And Get Those Notebooks in to me so they can be corrected before classes start. No teachers will be scheduled for fall without corrected notebooks.

BOOSTER PARENTS....If you can help at one of the Open Houses, that would be great. It is super when prospective students, coming in with questions, can talk to a parent.

BARBI LEE....

Produces a wonderful production of "The Children's Nutcracker" in December.....
1st and 2nd year students perform in a special Workshop presentation performance in December.. Barbi Lee students perform all over the Twin Cities for many civic and cultural events.....Barbi Lee can boast many graduates who are performing and teaching across the country today, as well as many successful students who are doctors, lawyers, accountants, and homemakers. At the present time she is teaching 2nd generation dancers....Barbi (Barb Lotsberg) has been running this program since 1964...Is a member of the Dance Educator's Association,...Keeps up her studies at Conventions and Seminars throughout the year as well as keeping on top of new information with teachers all over the world via the INTERNET. Barbi Lee Studio is a committed and caring place to dance. WON'T YOU JOIN US?

YOUR CLASS WILL MEET THIS YEAR AT THE FOLLOWING TIME:

*Combo jazz M 715-930
Ballet Th 815 - possible Mod @ 715
Ht at Cont. on Sat*

Below we will mark any changes in shoes or leotards/tights for your class.

PLAN AHEAD....

NUTCRACKER TRYOUTS.....

**SAT. SEPT 25 TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED
SUN. SEPT 26 6 PM**