



SEPTEMBER - 2011

ANOTHER NEW SEASON WELCOME!

To all our current families, both former and brand new – thank you for joining the SDA dance family for the coming year! We're excited for it to begin.

Please make a note of all the dates included in the Calendar of Events attached to this Newsletter to keep up to date with all events at the Studio.

All newsletters are posted on our web site as is the Calendar of Events and other studio policies. If you haven't already seen our new web site, take a minute to do so.

MEET OUR TEACHING FACULTY

Our teaching faculty remains steadfast and loyal. We are so fortunate to have this consistency and dedication to all of our dancers. On a weekend this summer they took the Red Cross CPR/First Aid certification and so each of them is qualified to administer first aid in the event of an injury.

Miss Amanda	Competition Communication Director Ballet, Jazz
Miss Calli	Acro, Ballet, Jazz, Contemp/Modern
Miss Carly	Jr. Saturday classes, Hip Hop, Tap
Miss Chrissy	Working with our junior dancers, and Ballet, Jazz, Contemp/Modern
Miss Danielle	Hip Hop, Jazz and Tap
Miss Denise	Ballet, Jazz, Modern, Musical Theatre
Miss Michelle	Acro, Ballet
Miss Theresa	Jazz, Tap

CHILDREN'S ART TAX CREDIT

Announced this year, you can now claim dance classes, including uniform, up to \$500.00 per child. You cannot claim this as well as the Child's Fitness Tax, but this one does include dancewear. Go to the Revenue Canada web site and then search "Children's Art Tax Credit" for more information. Be sure to keep all your receipts.

KUDO KORNER!

Sickkids Foundation received **\$6672.00** this year from the proceeds of our annual recital in May. This gift includes the money raised from the flower table. Bereaved Families – York Region also received **\$1500.00**. Thanks to all who attended the performances in the beautiful Richmond Hill Theatre for making this possible.

Dance exam results – All dancers who took exams this past year were very successful with the majority of results being 85% or higher. Congratulations to all!

Relay for Life –Kudos to several of our dancers and their parents who participated in the "**Relay for Life**" overnight walk in Aurora in June with a special thank you to Miss Michelle for "captaining" our SDA team. The team raised **\$14,977.90** surpassing their goal for this year. They held bake sales, workshops, a Christmas performance of student choreography, and sold water bottles. Please watch for all their events this coming year and try to support them again in their efforts. In fact, forms will be available during registration to order the water bottles. What a great idea as so much water is wasted at the studio with bottled water constantly being left and very little consumed. This would be a great way to conserve as well as support a worthy cause. Each team member also raised individual amounts to contribute to the team effort. Miss Michelle would like to thank everyone at the studio for their support of the team's fundraising efforts. They will continue to work for this important cause and this year Miss Amanda is joining Miss Michelle to Co-Captain the team. If you would like to join the team, speak with either Miss Michelle or Miss Amanda. They would love to have you.

DANCEWEAR

We have a great new line of gray hoodies for sale this year at the very reasonable price of \$33.00, tax included. Check them out at registration as well as some new black long sleeve t-shirts. Perfect for cooler fall weather. Of course, all of the regular jackets and bags are available as well as some jackets designed by our new seamstress, Nadia Munro of In Dancewear. We are pleased to welcome Nadia to SDA!

ADULT/PARENTS' CLASS is back....this year on Thursday from 8:30 – 9:30 pm. Pay as you play at \$10.00 per class. Come and join the fun!

And so the 2011/2012 Season begins! All of your teachers wish for you a great year of fun while discovering the joys of dance.

Miss Denise