

FOOTNOTES

September 2017

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Upcoming Events

September 5-11 (During Class)
VDS 40th B-Day Celebrations

Tuesday, Sept. 12 @ 7pm
Parent's Council Meeting

September 18-23 (During Class)
Bring-A-Friend Week

October 6-8
Circle City Tap Fest @ VDS
circlecacitytapfest.weebly.com

October 9-14 (During Class)
Parent's Observation Week

Tuesday, Oct. 10 @ 7pm
Parent's Council Meeting

October 16-21
Closed for Fall Break

Tuesday, October 31
Closed for Halloween

Village Dance Studio Celebrates 40th Birthday!

The Village Dance Studio (VDS) began exactly 40 years ago with the first class being held in the Village (downtown Zionsville) on September 6, 1977. The week of September 5-11 all of the classes will join in the celebration including balloons, goodies to take home, a trip down "memory lane" in the hallway, and more! All classes on Wednesday, September 6 will also get to partake in cupcakes or cake to celebrate the actual date of the first class.

40 years ago VDS began with 78 students, 1 instructor (Annette Pettigrew), and was located above the old Zionsville Theatre (65 E. Cedar; now labeled "Old Town Hall Center"). There were no bathrooms, no heat, no air conditioning, no mirrors, and no running water. The approximately 1,000 square foot studio had a tin stamped ceiling and took many weeks and late nights to clean up in preparation for the first dance class. Now, 40 years later (and at our 4th location) VDS hosts over 250 students, 12 staff members, 7 styles of dance, and 38 hours of dancing each week.

Village Dance Studio began under the direction of Annette Pettigrew in 1977. This past August, Annette officially sold the business to her daughter, Traci Broman.

Traci has a degree in Arts Management from Indiana University. She has taught musical theater & jazz along with managing many of the daily operations for the past 6+ years alongside Annette. Traci will continue running VDS with the same structure, focus, and family values that have been important to the business since the beginning. She is blessed to have been given this opportunity and can't wait for the next 40 years of dancing with Village Dance Studio.



Performing Groups Selected



Congratulations to the dancers who have been selected to join the 2017-2018 Performing Groups. Auditions were held in June and dancers were selected based on technical ability as well as showmanship and effort. The groups will put on our Nutcracker Short & Suite this coming December as well as other events, fundraisers, and activities throughout the year.

**Denotes class assistant*

VDS Ensemble:

Shaylee Barnes*
Reagan Coussens*
Abby Gibson*
Jaycie Gibson
Brooke Hanson
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Jane Isakson*

Emma Kremp*
Makenzie Lancaster
Annie Olise-Aikins
Cara Oquendo
Cali Pollard
Ryleigh Pollard*
Sydney Pollard*

Madelyn Reid*
Carley Seward*
Emma Smith*
Krista Snyder
Ava Thomas
Lilly Tomandl
Jessica Way*
Mackenzie Whittinghill*

VDS Juniors:

Elizabeth Arnold*
Adele Crockett
Rebecca DeBruycker*
Amanda Evers
Selah Grannis*
Lija Kuhn*
Emma Phipps*
Jacob Stumpf*

Parent's Council Needs You!

The Parents' Council is a group of volunteer parents that help support the Village Dance Studio and their dancers. Meetings are held once a month and last no more than 1 hour. You do not have to attend every meeting in order to be on the Parent's Council. The Parent's Council supports VDS activities such as fundraisers, studio-wide events, tech crew and stage support, DVD and flower sales on recital years, Juniors/Ensemble trip, and more. The Parent's Council is a great way to meet other families, learn more about the studio, and get involved in a fun group! Meeting will be held the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 7-7:45pm.

**FIRST MEETING:
TUESDAY, SEPT. 12 @ 7pm**

