

**FEBRUARY 2016**

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**February 14th - Valentine's Day**

**Competitions / Conventions**  
Feb 12th-15th Showstoppers

**BIRTHDAYS**

Feb 8th- **Chase Kowalkowski (9)**  
Feb 10th-- **Eryn Gill (15)**  
Feb 16th-- **Aimee Cho (10)**  
Feb 16th-- **Emily Garcia (16)**

**CRAIG'S CORNER**

-Please be sure to clean the tables of any food items when finished eating so the dancers can use the tables for homework

-I have new VDC Spiritwear junior and adult size sweatpants available and also 'BLING' shirts from small to x-large

-Reminder that tuition payments are due by 8th of the month

-If you have any questions about your account please contact me directly or see the front desk

-Thank you for your continued support!

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**We have conquered Showstoppers!!!**

**What an amazing competition for VDC!!**

**Solos:** Mayleena-7, Kylee N-8, Aimee-1, Lexie Alwood-9, Jazmine-8, Sarah-4, Amanda S-10, Brianna-10, Maddie-7, Claire-8, Lexi Ascher-10 **Duo/Trios:** Amanda S/Katie- 3 (crystal), Katie/Brianna-8, Lexi/Isabella/Nat-10, Kailyn/Aimee-2 (crystal), Aimee/Sarah-5 **Groups:** Mini Co-4, Jr Co-3, Teen Co-5, Sr Co- 7 (crystal), Kiki-5, Took The Night-8, Feminists-3 (crystal), Bridge Over Troubled Water-10, Bring on The Men-7, Goodbye Horses-4, Feeling Good-3, When the Ship Goes Down-8 (crystal), 5 Secrets-7 (crystal), Make You Love Me-8, Hope it Runs-9, Sights-9, Lanslide-8, Take it All-9, I'm Not Done-7, Let it All Go-8

All Company Groups placed in the top 10 so all VDC company members got to experience the overalls!!

**A BIG Thank you to all the teachers, parents and dancers for such a successful first VDC Season IV studio competition! I am so proud of everyone!**

**Company News**

**KAR Competition coming up March 4-6!**

This will be our second studio competition and we want to make sure we are just as fierce as we were at Showstoppers! Please make sure you are attending your classes and privates as scheduled. Double check your costumes to make sure you came home with ALL costume pieces.

**VDC Season IV- "End of the Year" Revue**

Will be on Saturday June 25th at the Bill Medley Theater on the Santa Ana High School campus. Information regarding classes participating in the show will be handed out during classes the week of 2/22-2/27

**Top Technique Tip**

**Want to know what teachers are looking for in their students?**

- \* Is the student focused in class? (eye contact, verbal feedback, not talking)
- \* Is the student making an effort to fix the corrections the teacher has given them?
- \* Does the dancer have a good attitude? (smiling, not complaining etc)
- \* Does the dancer take class seriously? (on time, dressed appropriately, prepared?)
- \* Is the student willing to take risks and trust that the teacher knows best?
- \* Is the student enjoying themselves?

**Remember these the next time you are in class!!**

Laura Russom- Owner / Artistic Director

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