



**KOLOS Kommunique
for the week of March 8, 2010**

Scheduling Changes:

- March 6 - Acro class cancelled
- March 19, 20, 21 - All regularly scheduled classes are cancelled (Acro, Adult, Ballet)– due to the Tavsria Competition

Senior Practice

From now to the start of Tavsria competition, Serhiy & Liana will run all of the Senior dances on both Monday and Wednesday.

Monday

6:00 to 7:00 - Senior 1
7:00 to 8:30 - All Seniors
8:30 to 9:00 - Senior Monday

Wednesday

6:00 - 6:30 - Senior 3
6:30 to 8:30 - All Senior
8:30 to 9:00 - Senior 2

Costuming Preparation:

We have some 259 costumes to have ready for Tavsria. **There is still a lot of cross-stitching that needs to be done. Packages can be picked up from the table in front of the kitchen.** If we do not get the cross stitching finished for Tavsria, we will be sharing pieces between groups, so any help that can be provided would be great. **If you have cross-stitching, please try to have it completed and returned by March 10th,** as these pieces need to be sewn into a finished product. We are also working on revitalizing headpieces for the Intermediate Volyn & Senior Hopak. If you can run a glue gun, we have a couple projects in the kitchen to complete. **If you have time to help out during a class, please ask Liana or Pat and they can show you what needs to be done.**

Costume Return:

Juniors, Intermediates and Seniors please return your Hutzul costumes. We have ordered some new pieces from Ukraine and would like to resize from what was distributed at for the wedding. So please bring all the Hutzul costumes back, so we can resize and re-issue for Tavsria. **Please have all these returned no later than March 11th.**

Costume Distribution for Tavsria:

We will start fitting and distributing costumes for Tavsria next week. This will be done during the last 10 minutes of each class. Parents please make sure you are on hand to sign out your child's costumes. **If you have signed up to be a costume rep for your group, please ensure that you are on hand the next two weeks to assist with this process.** We will send out confirmation notices to the groups on the evenings when costuming will be distributed.

Costume Class Reps	Prebeginner – Bernadine Suwala Beginner 1 – Pending Beginner 2 – Terelyne Vadeboncoeur Junior – Doris Gordon Intermediate 1 – Pat Palaschuk Intermediate 2 - Terelyne Vadeboncoeur Senior 1, 2 & 3 – Rika Sawchyn, Pat Palaschuk PE – Arlene Nicol Adult – Pending
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Red Elastic for Intermediate & Senior Shoes:

Kolos has purchased elastic and will distribute with costuming next week.

Executive Meeting:

Next Executive Meeting will be at 7pm at the studio, Tuesday, March 9, 2010.

Tavria Competition – Volunteers Needed:

Liana would like a parent rep to assist at Tavria for the following groups:

- Prebeginner
- Beginner 1
- Beginner 2
- Juniors

The parent rep will be responsible for:

- assisting the dancers with getting into their costumes (tie belts, check to make sure all are same, pin on headpieces, etc)
- monitoring the group if Liana & Serhiy are unavailable (practicing with another group or with another group performing)
- keeping the group under control at all times, standing quietly in the hall
- ensure the kids change following their performance
- ensure the kids are returned to their parents after the performance

If you would like to be a parent rep, please reply to kolos@sasktel.net

Fitness Tax Credits - (Please review for Tax Return Time):

Consultation with Revenue Canada has revealed that it is not the responsibility of the issuing organization to determine the tax deductible portion of the tax credit. That responsibility lies with the tax payer or the representative they have hired to prepare their return. For that reason, Kolos, will no longer issue separate receipts for the Child Tax Credit. Kolos has generated invoices for the September to December and the January to June time periods. Kolos will issue invoices for the full value of the class fees and it will be your responsibility to determine what portion of these fees can be claimed for the purposes of the Child Tax Fitness Credit. Technically, you can only claim what was actually paid, so fees paid via fundraising are not eligible for the Tax Credit. It will be you or your representative's responsibility to familiarize yourself with the rules related to the Child Tax Fitness Credit and claim only the appropriate amount. Statements for the period September 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009 have been issued.

If you have concerns about your statement or require additional supporting documentation, please email kolos@sasktel.net.

Upcoming KOLOS Clothing Order: (repeat)

I'm currently in discussion with Lorie Daku from ProCrest re: determining the type of products that will be offered to dancers, their siblings and parents/guardians. An example of the products that will be offered include: hoodies; wind suits; yoga pants and jackets; t-shirts; and garment bags. Please stay tuned to the upcoming Kommunique for the date and time of the viewing and order session. With any luck, we will receive the clothing orders prior to the North Battleford competition at the end of April!

Any questions? Call Arlene Nicol at 789-3615.

A Message from the President: (repeat)

Dear Kolos families,

If you get a minute today or this weekend, check out the Regina Testimonials video on the new city of Regina website, [Infinitehorizons.ca](http://www.infinitehorizons.ca).

It's the second video on the page, and it features testimonials about living in Regina. Watch closely, and you will see the Kolos Performing Ensemble's Hopak playing on a TV in the background during one of the interviews.

A little bit of free publicity for Kolos!

Here is the link to the video page. Remember, it's the second of the three videos on the page that you will want to watch.

<http://www.infinitehorizons.ca/category/videos/>

Have a great weekend,

Kevin Blevins
Kolos President

Performing Ensemble Performance: (repeat)

The Kolos **Performing Ensemble** has been confirmed as the headliner for the Weyburn Ukrainian Dance School's year-end cabaret and fundraiser. The ensemble will perform several dances on the evening of **Saturday, May 8th**, in **Weyburn**, at the **Legion Hall**. More details to follow, including ticket prices for parents and friends who want to attend. Ticket prices include a meal. A great opportunity for the PE dancers to strut their stuff out of town!

Competitions: (repeat)

1. Tavria – Regina - March 19 – 21, 2010 – Prebeginner to Senior

The Tavria festival is quickly approaching. Please see attached file and review the following:

- a. A list of only the Kolos dances
- b. A parent information sheet and information about the event itself, i.e. location, prices, etc.
- c. A list of all the school's dances and each dancer within that group. The Kolos dances have been highlighted. The following changes have been requested, although have not been updated in the Final Schedule so a note has been added in.
 - a. Brittany & Brett to be moved to the 9-10 category
 - b. Nicole Argue to replace Aquinnah Foster in the Hopak

2. North Battleford - April 30 to May 2, 2010 – Intermediate, Senior & Junior

We have a block of double rooms reserved (29 non smoking, 6 smoking) reserved for April 29, 30, and May 1 (the NB competition dates) at a rate of \$100/night at the Tropical Inn (1 800 219 5244). Families have until **April 5, 2010** to confirm their commitment. The booking name is "Regina Kolos Dance"

3. Kolos – May 14 to 16, 2010 –Prebeginner to Senior

Sheldon Williams Collegiate (Regina)

Sponsorship Package for the Kolos Festival: (repeat)

Dear Kolos families,

The second annual Kolos Dance Festival, this May 14 to 16 at the Sheldon-Williams Auditorium, is shaping up to be bigger and better than last year's inaugural event. Yes, it's few months away yet, but it's never too early to start raising money for the event, and therefore our organization, by selling sponsorships, big and small, for the event. Please print off copies of the attached sponsorship package and start hitting up family, friends and business contacts for sponsorships.

When it comes to contacting big sponsors, please touch base with my wife, Kim Blevins, kblevins@accesscomm.ca, and she will let you know if she has contacted the company already. Kim has already secured a sponsorship with SaskTel for 2010 and sponsorships with SaskEnergy, SGI and the Regina Hotels Association are pending. Kim is on the festival committee and is responsible for sponsorships, especially the larger ones. If you contact Kim first, she will steer you clear of confusion and potential conflicts between sponsors, i.e. Coca-Cola versus Pepsi.

Thanks,
Kevin Blevins
Kolos President

Call for Volunteers: (repeat)

Please find attached an updated 2009-10 volunteer list. Please review and advise by email to: kolos@sasktel.net if you are interested in assuming a position or if you note an error.

Below are some positions that are in need of filling. Please consider the following:

Class Picture Coordinator
Mosaic Booth Coordinator
Recital Coordinator

Fundraising Update:

CURRENT FUNDRAISERS:

Mom's Pantry and Fellingner's Meat Fundraiser

****NEW**

Please stay tuned for the instruction sheet and order forms, which will be ready early next week, with delivery to happen just prior to the Easter week. I'll leave them in the plastic mail- boxes at the foot of the stairs at the studio.

Arlene Nicol (789-3615)

KOLOS Perogy Fundraiser - Spring 2010

****NEW**

The spring perogy fundraiser is beginning. We will be selling perogies made by a supplier from Yorkton. The prices have risen slightly because of the cost of ingredients.

potato/cheese \$9.00 per bag (credit \$2)
cottage cheese \$10.50 per bag (credit \$2)

Each bag contains 2 dozen perogies. Please make the cheques payable to RUDE.

Use the attached form for the orders. You can print them off and return them in a sealed envelope with payment in the Panagabko folder or you can fill out the forms and email them to me (dpanagabko@accesscomm.ca). If you email them, payment must be received before you receive the order. If your order contains cash, please contact Dianne to arrange the exchange.

Orders will be filled as we receive the perogies, but please be aware that we tend to get one type at a time, and because of storage, we may need to get those out to you as they come in. All the orders should be filled by Easter, but it depends on how many orders we get. The earlier you get your order in, the earlier you get the perogies. **Cut off for orders is Wednesday, March 24th.**

Thank you,
Dianne Panagabko 949-0708 dpanagabko@accesscomm.ca

Bottle Drive Fund Raiser – Saturday March 6th

****NEW**

We will be holding a bottle drive on Saturday March 6th. Drop offs can be made at 1627 Shattuck Bay between 11 am – 3pm. You can pick your own area to collect in or contact Moe or Jeff to co-ordinate an area. Help sorting is greatly appreciated on Saturday afternoon. The profits will be split equally among the families that participate. For more information, contact Moe or Jeff Merk at 949-6931.

UKRAINIAN CO-OP – ONGOING

Kolos has been approved for a membership with the Ukrainian Co-op. When purchasing at the Ukrainian Co-op, if the Kolos membership number is quoted, Kolos will receive any dividends related to these purchase.

The membership number is 1007. Because of the difficulty in tracking individual purchases this will be a general fundraiser and will not be allocated to specific families based on purchases.

CO-OP GAS BAR - ONGOING

KOLOS Ukrainian Dance Ensemble has been assigned a non-member number – 97375. This number, 97375, must be presented at the time of purchase and must appear on the fuel receipt. You will receive 3 cents per litre credited to your fundraising account. Please reference the detailed instructions on the specific attachment.

FUNDRAISING CONTACT:

If you would like to organize an event, please contact Shelley Snook (shelley.snook@fcc-fac.ca, sjsnook@sasktel.net, 545-0941 or 529-4105)

Executive Note:

Please remember that with the exception of the three Kolos designated fundraisers (Wedding, Festival & Recital) all net proceeds from fundraisers are prorated out to participants. Fundraising events are voluntary. As fundraising events are posted, you choose to participate or not. If you participate, a percentage of the net proceeds are allocated to your account by way of a fundraising credit. These credits are not allocated until proceeds from the fundraiser have been received and the allocation reports have been provided by the event coordinator.

Bingo Dates: Regina Bingo Palace on Broad Street: (repeat)

Kolos will once again be working bingos this dance season to raise money for both the school and families wanting to fundraise some of their fees for the school.

As you know, families can fundraise up to 50% of their fees at Kolos. This fundraising can be done in a variety of ways, one of them being bingos. Your personal take from each bingo will depend upon how much money the bingos make. The amount you earn at a bingo will be credited to your family's account, in lieu of fees. The Saskatchewan government supplements each charity that works a bingo with a grant and this grant goes to the school. So the bingos can be a win-win for both the school and the individual families who work them.

The current bingo co-coordinator is Mariann Bodnaruk, who can be reached at 789-9157 or at mbodnaruk@sasktel.net

Our bingos take place at the Regina Bingo Palace, 190 Broad Street North. The bingo hall requires us to have eight workers at each bingo, and I know it is sometimes a struggle for Mariann to come up with eight workers. When we don't have enough workers, Mariann is put in a difficult position. She is loath to give up a bingo, because she wants to help other families cut down their fees and she wants the school to get the Saskatchewan grant, which can add up to a significant amount of money. So if you are at all interested, please contact Mariann about working a future bingo. This will help to ensure that we always have eight workers.

According to the most recent copy of our latest bingo license, as issued by Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming, our upcoming bingos at the Regina Bingo Palace are:

- o Friday, March 12/10, from 6:00 pm to midnight **Cancelled
- o Friday, March 12/10, from 12 am (midnight) to 4 am **Cancelled
- o Sunday, March 21/10, from 6:00 pm to midnight
- o Friday, April 2/10, from 6:00 pm to midnight
- o Friday, April 2/10, from 12 am (midnight) to 4 am

Please note the Bingo Coordinator, fills workers for bingos on a month by month basis. We are providing the upcoming dates in advance so parents have the information in advance and can do some pre-planning. Other bingos may arise in the interim, sometimes on short notice, and the Bingo Coordinator will advise the school, as she has in the past, of these opportunities.

Classified Ads:

None

Club Calendar Important dates to Remember:

Most of the events will not be scheduled until we have volunteers in place to work on securing facilities. Events will be added to the calendar as they become known and facilities are secured.

Current Bookings:

March 2010

- March 6, 2010 – Bottle Drive Fundraiser
- March 6, 2010 – Acro Class Cancelled
- March 9, 2010 – Kolos Board Meeting
- March 12, 2010 – Bingo - Cancelled
- March 19, 20, 21 – all regularly scheduled classes are cancelled (Acro, Ballet, Adult)
- March 19 to 21, 2010 – Tavria Festival – Regina – Prebeginner to Senior
- March 21, 2010 - Bingo
- March 24, 2010 – Deadline for Spring Perogy Fundraiser

April 2010

- April 2, 2010 - Bingo
- April 13, 2010 – Kolos Board Meeting
- April 30 to May 2, 2010 – Svodoba – North Battleford – Intermediate, Senior & Junior

May 2010

- May 2 – Adult and Ballet classes are cancelled
- May 8, 2010 – Performing Ensemble Performance – Weyburn
- May 11, 2010 – Kolos Board Meeting
- May 14, 15, 16, 2010 – all regularly scheduled classes are cancelled (Acro, Ballet, Adult)
- May 14 to 16, 2010 – Kolos Festival – Sheldon Williams Collegiate (Regina) – Prebeginner to Senior

June 2010

- June 2 to 5, 2010 – Mosaic - Regina
- June 8, 2010 – Kolos Board Meeting

Community Events & News:

- **Taras Bulba Medieval Feast**
 - o SATURDAY, MARCH 13, 2010
 - o For more details, please see attached poster