# ODM NEWSLETTER

Fall Edition



November 2021

### ~ 2022 National Title Holders!! ~

Miss Dance of America 2022

-Braylan Enscoe
Student of Kathy Meyer & Dawn Slemons

Highest Contemporary Score

Modern Class Award

Interview Award



# JOEY VICE MISTER DANCE OF AMERICA 2022 CHAPTER #16 TEACHER OF RECORD ANGIE HAVER DANCE MASTERS OF AMERICA

Mister Dance of America 2022

~Joey Vice~

Student of Angie Haver

Ballet Class Award

Jazz Class Award

Modern Class Award

Interview Award

Junior Mister Dance of America 2022

~Easton Gliebe~

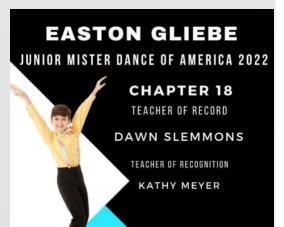
Student of Dawn Slemons & Kathy Meyer

7ap Class Award

Ballet Class Award

Jazz Class Award

Interview Award



## ~ Member News ~

### ~ Best Wishes & Congratulations to the Following ~

- ~ Colton Ryan, student of Diana Evans-Pulliam, plays Connor Murphy in the movie adaptation of Dear Evan Hansen!! Be sure to check it out if you haven't already. We are incredibly proud of you

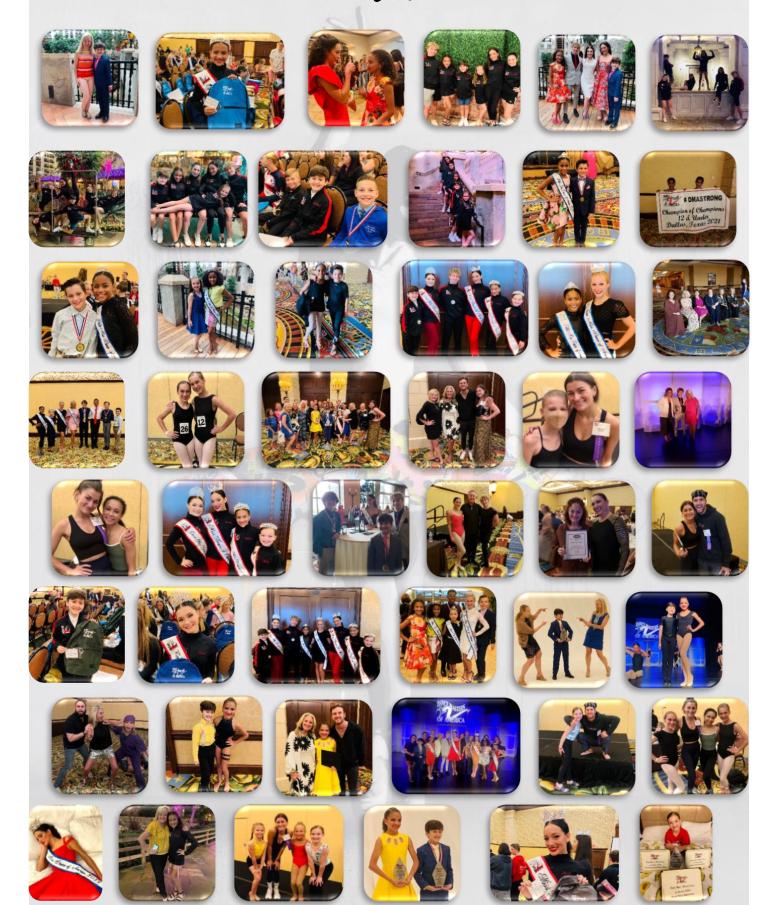
  Colton!! ~
- ~ We have three young ladies from Ohio Dance Masters returning to Radio City this year as Rockettes!! Congratulations Danielle Betscher, McKenzie McGrath, and Jordan Betscher!! We are so proud of all of you!! ~
- ~ Breanna Maurer is working with Nordictrack as a fitness model!! Congratulations Breanna!! We are so happy for you!! ~
  - Congratulations to Jessica Barr & Christina Barr for passing their Teachers Grade 1 Cecchetti Exams!! ~
- ~ We are thrilled to welcome Courtney Crooks Still to the ODM Family!! She has passed her tap exam and was obligated at our September Closed Convention!! Congratulations Courtney!! ~

### ~ Condolences & Well Wishes to the Following ~

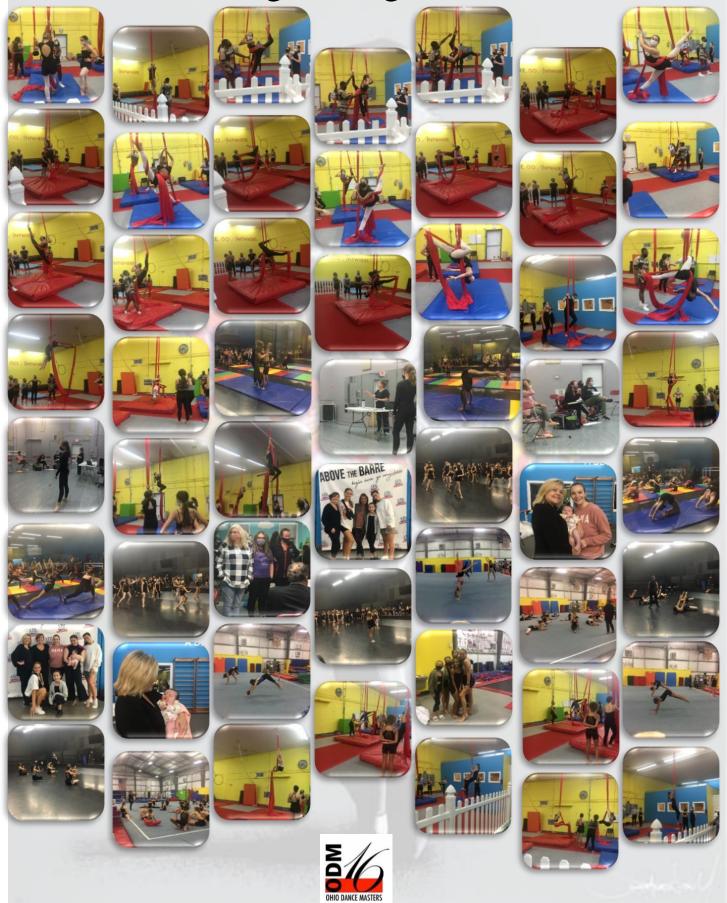
- ~ Sadly, Tammy Taylor's husband passed away early October. Our hearts and prayers are with you and your family Tammy. ~
- Angie Haver's student Jocelyn Green is battling cancer. We pray that she stays strong and comes out
  of this stronger than ever.
  - ~ Dance Masters of America's National President Dody Flynn is undergoing cancer treatment.

    Sending her lots of love and prayers. ~
  - ~ Dave Rasmussen. Take 2 owner and camera man has been hospitalized with Covid. Sending love and his family. ~
  - ~ Misty Christopher's mother. Charlotte Berisford, passed away late September. Our hearts and prayers are with you and your family. ~
- ~ Kathi Halbert has fallen ill with covid but sounds great and is on the mend. Wishing you a speedy recovery Kathi!!~
  - ~ Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you in your time of need. ~

# ~ 2021 Nationals ~



# ~ 2021 Closed Convention ~



# ~ Ohio Dance Masters History ~

The organization that began in 1936 was named Cleveland and Ohio Dance Masters. In the beginning it was connected with the Chicago National Organization of dance teachers. Clem Brown, a member of Chicago National, and several members from the Cleveland area eventually pulled out and became affiliated with Dance Masters of America.

Some of the early pioneers were Clem Brown, Bess Newton Brown (no relative), LaRue Hope, Mary Louise Megert, Eleanor Buckholzer, Bill Franklin, Betty Adelman, Marie Miller, Cecelia Corley, Charles Boyd, Muriel Kelleher, Arita Lee Blair, and Mary Pollock Graham. LaRue Hope was the stronghold of the group and was sure that we adhered to the principles of the National Organization in setting the standards for dance education. The first Secretary Treasurer was Clem Brown, followed by Joyce Keegan Flynn and now currently, Noreen Rhode, Secretary and Rennie Davis, Treasurer.

The Ohio Chapter is proud to have had four members serve as President on the National Board. They are LaRue Hope (1950), Joan Wine (1982), Angela Freese (1988), and Butch Theisen (2009). Rennie Davis served as National Treasurer also. Our members have been awarded such awards as the Zee Brown Award (Noreen Rhode & Kathi Halbert), Members of the Year (Marjorie Sellers, Butch Theisen, Noreen Rhode, and Colleen Rhode). The chapter affiliated name as of 2011 is Ohio Dance Masters taking us back to our original roots. You will always find an ODM member volunteering their services on the National Board. Today we have approximately 125 members from four states.



# ~ ODM Officers ~

Michele Rexroad

Colleen Rhode

Stephanie Pritchard

Noreen L. Rhode

Butch Theisen

Susan Barr

Kathi Halbert

Dawn Dembrosky

Dara Berman-Cheung

Jill Garlock

Diana Horvath

Megan Schenck-Dragoo

Evalyn Tirikos-Brooks

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