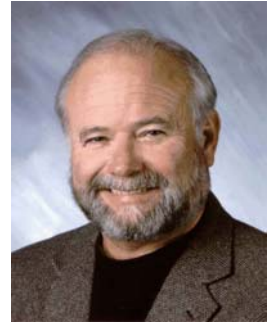


Executive Directors Report - October 2005

Here's hoping that all of you had a fabulous summer! I know that many of our dancers traveled far and wide to take a variety of classes and have now returned home to school and loads of homework! Good luck with your studies as we enter fall.

After spending time at our home in France this summer, Carol and I returned back home to Carmel just in time for "Nutcracker Auditions" in August. This years "Nutcracker" promises to be filled with new energy, excitement and an expanded performance schedule, from our usual one weekend- three performance set, to two- consecutive weeks and a total of EIGHT performances!



We also look forward to moving to our new home at the Morgan Stock Theatre at Monterey Peninsula College. Special "Thanks" to Peter DeBono and his fine staff for working with Dance Kids leadership to make this a reality. We are all excited! Our cast this year is over 100 and promises to be bigger and better than ever with some new twists and additional activities; a Holiday Home Tour and Sugar Plum Fairy Party added to the mix. Check our website for further details....

Speaking of the website, we are working with Byte-Technology on a new, improved and easier to use site. Construction is now under way but updates are being made weekly to assure accuracy with rehearsal schedules and provide you and your families with the most up to date information possible. Remember, you can also get ticket information at www.dancekids.org.

Ticketing for Nutcracker this season will be through the Box Office at Monterey Peninsula College and www.ticketguys.com Please get you tickets early for the Holiday Home Tour, Gala, Sugar Plum Fairy Party and of course, all eight performances of "Nutcracker."

Remember that we are still in need of parent volunteers for this production. Check with our Parent Volunteer Chair, Stacey Diaz to see where you can assist. Without the help from our wonderful parents, these productions would not be possible...we appreciate each and every one of you!

2006 holds a spring musical, "The Boyfriend" and another full-length spring ballet in May, "Sleeping Beauty" at the Golden Bough Theatre in Carmel. Carol will have additional details in her Artistic Directors Report which follows.

Again, thanks to our wonderful Dance Kids families for your undying and loyal support of our program for kids on the Monterey Peninsula. We look forward to seeing you at our next production of "Nutcracker" and wish you all the best as we head into fall. See you at the Morgan Stock Theater!

Warmest regards,
Alan