



# A.I.D.T Newsletter

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## In Memory

Anna Nell passed away on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December 2007 after much suffering.

This gracious lady is deeply mourned and will be remembered by all the members of the A.I.D.T

In the poignant words of one of our examiners –

**“Dearest Anna, you touched our hearts and enriched our lives. It was an honour and a privilege to have known you. Your guiding light and knowledge, wisdom and kindness will continue to inspire all dancers and teachers of the A.I.D.T.**

**We will love and miss you forever.”**

This is the second Board Member we have lost in 2007 as Mrs. Thema Cripps also passed away March 2007.



Mrs. Anna Nell

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## Congratulations

Our Congratulations goes out to the following for completion of their Advanced exams or Advanced Associates exams in January:

**Katie Blanksma**—Elementary Modern exam passed with Honours

**Christina Moody**—Elementary Advanced Associates

**Talia Belzil**—Elementary Advanced Associates

**Amanda vanderBrink**—Intermediate Advanced Associates

**Stacey Ardron**—Intermediate Advanced Associates

**Donna Kirkham**—Intermediate Advanced Associates

**Shannon Pouznar**—Advanced Associates full with Honours

Congratulations to the January Bursary winners:

**Kelsey Stoehr** Westhore Dance in Victoria—Tap bursary \$200.00

## JUNE EXAMS!!!

**• EXAM ENTRIE DUE  
March 17th all entries  
must be in please see  
Summary Sheet on  
our website for  
correct exam fees!**

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## Thanks From Miss. McCord

January Examining session with Miss Monique McCord went very well. She was met in Vancouver by Susan Ford who took her to her Hotel, and then on Sunday went to see a little of Vancouver and get over her long flight.

Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> she came to the Island and I met her in Victoria, where I was able to show her the Bouchard Gardens and the under Water gardens Victoria Harbour which is always beautiful, and we were blessed with a very good week of weather on the Island so she saw some nice places. Tuesday she examined Tap pupils at Westshore Dance Studio's followed the next day by a class of Silver higher Tap and Advanced Modern where everyone found they had a lot to learn. From there we drove up Island to Duncan where she examined Tap and we had a very energetic Hip Hop session. As there were not too many exams for the Island Miss McCord had a free day on the Friday, and she had requested to go skiing. As I do not ski I was lucky enough to get a friend of mine to take her up to Mount Washington for the day, and she really enjoyed herself. Saturday Gemini Studios hosted Tap and Modern open workshops which went very well and we raised money at this function to go towards further encouraging awards to AIDT pupils at a later date. Thank you Moira for the studio and we made \$260 to start our extra Bursary funds.

She then flew from Comox to Vancouver where Alicia Bruce in Port Moody arranged a very successful day of Tap Syllabus workshops where the students all enjoyed themselves and the teachers who attended these felt they picked up many good hints to improve their own work, Thank you Alicia this workshop raised \$150 towards our extra Bursaries.

The weather was not so kind in Vancouver after Ryan's exam session plans had to be changed quickly as the snow covered roads were closed, hence Miss McCord had to be booked into another hotel and wait until the following day to be transported to Squamish where she had to do a long examining session followed by Modern Syllabus work which once again pupils and teachers found very informative Miss McCord Left Canada on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> February with a very happy heart she had enjoyed her visit very much and Thanks all the Teachers for a very happy tour.

## June Exam Session

The examiners for the June exam session are:

**Mrs. June Cloette** for the Island



**Mrs. Erna Ackerman** for the Lower Mainland



These are old pictures but my help you to remember them.

dance

*as though no one is watching you.*

love

*as though you have never been hurt before.*

sing

*as though no one can hear you.*

live

*as though heaven is so earth.*



## Island Exam Schedule

With Mrs. June Cloette

**Las Vegas**—June 6th, 7th, & 8th

Travel to Vancouver on the 9th

**Kathy Mascia**— June 10th & 11th

**Laurie Tinkler**—June 12th

**Gemini**—13th & 14th

**Duncan**—15th

**Victoria**—16th & 17th

\*New Tap (Gold Higher) workshop in Vancouver on June 24th



**Love, Laugh, Dance!**

## Lower Mainland Exam Schedule

With Mrs. Erna Ackerman

**Tri City**—June 11th, 12th, & 13th

Free day on the 14th

Port Moody—15th & 16th

White Rock—17th & 18th

Centrestage—19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, & 23rd

Tap workshop (new Gold Higher) 9-5

Abbotsford—25th & 26th

**"We dance for laughter, we dance for tears, we dance for madness, we dance for fears, we dance for hopes, we dance for screams, we are the dancers, we create the dreams."**

## Tap workshop

Please Note that the **New Gold Higher** tap workshop will be offered on the Mainland only!



**June 24th at Centrestage dance in Maple Ridge**

(New address is unit 2 20121 115A avenue )

**from 9am to 5pm.**

**Cost will be \$100.00 which includes syllabus, notes and workshop fees.**