



# Chalk Talk

The Monthly Newsletter of The Ohio Gymnastics Institute, Inc.

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## Happy Birthday OGI



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### SPRING BREAK

The Ohio Gymnastics Institute, Inc. will be closed

Friday April 10<sup>th</sup> – Thursday April 16<sup>th</sup>.

Classes will resume Friday April 17<sup>th</sup>.

### Calendar

April '09

3-5 USAG Boys Region 5 Championships- Lincolnshire, IL

3-5 USAG Girls Level 3-5 Spring Championships- Columbus

10-16 OGI Closed for Spring Break

18 NEOBGL Championships- Cleveland

25-26 NEOGL Levels 3 & 5 Championships- HOME

May '09

2-3 NEOGL Levels 4, 6 & 10 Championships- Cleveland

4 Summer Schedule Available

6-10 USAG Boys Junior Olympics Nationals- Cincinnati

16-17 AAU District Boys & Girls Gymnastics Championships- HOME: All Team OGI Members

18 Summer Registration begins for Current Students

26 Summer Registration for New and Returning Students

June '09

15 First Day of Summer Class Schedule

### Staff Spotlight

The April Staff Spotlight is Christina Danko. Christina, who is a former Team OGI competitive gymnast, rejoined our staff in August of 2008.

As a gymnast, Christina's favorite event was vault, where she earned a career high of a 9.85! She also enjoyed spending time on the floor exercise perfecting her tumbling. Christina is also a former competitive cheerleader for Ursuline High School and Youngstown State University. Christina has earned countless achievements, including the 2006 "Tumble Off" champion.

Upon graduating from Ursuline High School in 2006, Christina attended Youngstown State for 2 years. Christina is currently working towards her degree in Early Childhood Education, with a focus in special needs at Kaplan University. One day she hopes to work with autistic children.

When Christina is not coaching, she enjoys shopping, movies, and spending time with family, especially her two younger brothers, Stephen and Matthew. One of the most exciting things in her life is playing with her new bundle of joy, son Jaylin Brian, who will be 1 this May!

Congratulations and keep up the good work  
Miss Christina!

# April Birthdays



Ayshia Barnes  
Eliza Blasko  
Olivia Booth  
Aaron Cirbus  
Adam Cirbus  
Alanna Clapp  
Samantha Colon

Sierra Cox  
Giavonna Dilts  
Aubrianna Evangelista  
Alexis Gigax  
Aubrey Graham  
Chelsea Hoops  
Zoey Keas

Kelsey King  
Jensen Rose Kniska  
Hannah Lawrence  
Marlena Liming  
Payton Loomis  
Ryann McGahagan  
Alex Rivera

Louis Rondinelli  
Madison Ruby  
Ashley Smith  
Julianna Stanley  
Emma Tancer  
Riley Taylor  
Emily Wyant

## New Traditions at OGI

The Ohio Gymnastics Institute, Inc. will be celebrating its 23<sup>rd</sup> birthday this month! In honor of that, we will be starting some new traditions here at OGI.

- 1.) A New Format of Newsletter – including games & activities, in addition to important information about our programs!
- 2.) A Suggestion Box – here at OGI we pride ourselves on having great communication with our customers.
- 3.) An Accomplishment Box – we know that our students don't just excel here in the gym, but at school, church, and other activities. So any time your child has a special accomplishment, we ask that you share it with us so that we can include as many as possible into our monthly newsletter!
- 4.) We also look forward to adding several new activities to our program, as well as continuing some past traditions such as Bring-A-Friend, Tyson Fitness Challenge, and

We will also be publishing quotes from 3 random students each month on what they like about the sport of gymnastics, trampoline & tumbling, cheerleading, and OGI in general!

## Athlete of the Month

We are proud to announce that our April Athlete of the Month is Halie Calhoun. Halie, who is a sophomore at Niles High School, is the 16 year old daughter of Tammy and Mike Calhoun. Halie is currently enrolled in our Just Backhandspring class where she enjoys perfecting her standing backhandspring. When Halie is not in the gym, she enjoys cheerleading, soccer, and dance. Next year Halie hopes to attend TCTC for cosmetology and go off to college after high school. One thing people might not know about Halie is that she made the J.V. cheerleading squad for her high school! Way to go Halie!

Congratulations Halie,  
OGI's April Athlete of the Month!



### A Note to Parents:

Just a reminder, any child who is escorted into the bathroom by a parent must use the same gender bathroom as the parent. Both of our bathrooms are equipped with locked stalls for changing and bathroom privacy.

## Did you know?

- Your child can enroll in a 2<sup>nd</sup> class, and there is a 40% discount on that second class! For children (all ages) who just can't get enough gymnastics, or those (1<sup>st</sup> grade and up) who would like to try Tumbling & Trampoline, Cheerleading or Just Backhandsprings in addition to gymnastics, this is a terrific option!
- Siblings of an OGI student can enroll in a class and receive a 12.5% discount!
- We have a locked payment drop box outside our front entrance. Never miss your opportunity to receive your \$5 monthly early pay discount!
- When you recommend a new student to OGI and they let us know on their registration form that you referred them when they enroll in a class, you will receive a 10% discount on your child's next month's fees!

## Ohio Gymnastics Institute Birthday Parties

Party Invitations  
Cake, Drink & goody  
Bag  
1 hour gym Time  
½ hour use of the party  
room



Clean-up by OGI staff

All this for \$150.00

Call now to schedule  
your party!

Additional Time Available Upon  
Request

## In Honor of OGI's Birthday

Present this coupon to the front office and receive \$10 off when you book a party during the months of April and May.

Don't have a Birthday coming up?

OGI parties can be a great way to congratulate your child on an excellent report card or accomplishment!

It can also be great way for your child to celebrate with their friends before the end of the school year!

**\$10 off**

## Students Say...

I like spending time with my friends and learning new skills!  
– Max D.L. – Boys Team Rookie

I like doing trampoline and working jump full turns!  
– Alisa T. – Girls Beginner

The coaches are really nice and they help you work towards what you want to do!  
– Katrina H. – Just Backhandsprings

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AGE: \_\_\_\_\_