

# JUGHEADS

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## Juggle Jam 12 (JJ12) Notes

### Essential Info. for 11-Week Countdown

**SHOWS:** Our shows are Friday and Saturday, May 14 & 15 in the Hopkins HS Auditorium. Kids need to be there by 5:45 pm; doors for the audience open at 6:30; the show runs from 7-9:30. NOTE: There is NO FRIDAY CLUB on Friday, May 14.

**CLUB REHEARSALS:** Every (Edina) school day until JJ12 is a full rehearsal (except May 4, 12 & 14). We're completing choreography in March; April & early May will focus on running our routines many times. Please stay at club rehearsals 'til 5:45 p.m. and inform the coaches of **ANY** absences or *partial* absences.

**ALL-CAST EVENING DRESS REHEARSALS are May 4 and 12 from 6-9 pm.** Wear club T-shirts on 5/12 for our only '09-'10 all-company photo at 6 pm. **Let Paul know of tardies and absences.** NOTE: There will be NO REGULAR CLUBS on the days of our two all-cast dress rehearsals (5/4, 5/12).

**AUDITIONS:** Any Jughead desiring to perform a solo or team routine for JJ12 needs to audition on **Tuesday, April 13 in Wooddale-Edina's gym.** Every prospective act must perform in the 3/19 Winter Showcase and fill out an application by 3/26. Talk to/call/email **Coach Scott Richter** for more information.

**SKITS:** **Coach Scott Richter** is heading up variety introductions. If any Jughead has a skit idea and/or is interested in performing, talk to Scott ASAP. He'll firm up plans by late April.

**TICKETS PACKETS** will be distributed to each Jughead this month. Relatives, friends, teachers, and fans come from all over the Metro Area and *other states* to see our annual show!

**SLIDE SHOW PHOTO WEEK:** Group and individual photos will take place during after school clubs March 15-19.

**T-SHIRTS:** On May 4, Jugheads will receive JJ12 T-shirts for each club of membership (funded by spring tuition); parents, indicate sizes on the **Spring Tuition Form.** If no response, we will guess at your child's size, running the risk of an incorrect size.

**COSTUMES:** Club routines are embellished by costumes: **Monday:** Classic Cartoons; **Elite:** Jugga-wockeez; **Advanced:** Board Games; **Thursday:** Deceased Celebrities; **Friday:** The Sound of Music. Distinction trumps expense. Everyone also needs khaki shorts and JJ12 Tees for the grand opener and finale.

**PARENT VOLUNTEERS:** JJ is a huge production made possible by MANY parent volunteers. Therefore, our hope is that one parent from each JH family will volunteer for **one show or dress rehearsal night.** Show night volunteers do not need to purchase a ticket for that night, but do not expect to see much of the show. See the enclosed Parent Volunteer Sheet.



## Spring Club Tuition Due

Early registration deadline: March 15

Spring JH tuition covers April 5-June 11 and includes a JJ12 T-shirt. Register by 3/15 for a \$15 discount per Jughead, per club. **Indicate T-shirt size** and club code on the enclosed form. (If using PayPal, please **email us your child's size.**)

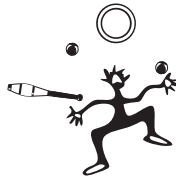
CLUB	CODE	COST	OFF DAY
Monday Rec.	10SPR-MON	\$205	May 31
Elite Club	10SPR-ELITE	\$205	May 4*
Advanced Club	10SPR-ADV	\$205	May 12*
Thursday Rec.	10SPR-THURS	\$220	—
Ultimate Club	10SPR-ULTI	\$245	—
Friday Club	10SPR-FRI	\$205	5/14*

\*No regular club those days, but mandatory evening events.

## CLUB SPOTLIGHT: Elite Club

### #2 Club increases focus, skills, innovation

While Ultimate Club has come of age as a varsity-level sports team, Elite Club can now be considered at least the level of a JV team. The structure of warm-ups, passing drills, and strong leadership from the coaches hasn't come without controversy from the students, but no one can doubt the continual rise of the collective skill level and personal challenge in this premier after school club. Whether the pinnacle experience for one-day-a-week Jugheads or a supplement to the hard work of Ultimate, Elite has a strong identity and strong personalities, with credit going to **Coaches Scott and Billy** for heading up the first club without Paul's on-site presence in our 16-year company history. Departing from five years of medley themes (Olympics, Weird Al, Boy Bands), this year's JJ12 Elite theme is sure to be a refreshing and innovative change of pace.



## Planning for June '10-June '11 Camps, Clubs, Assistants, Coaches

**SUMMER CAMPS:** Later this month, look for the registration form for our six weeks of summer juggling camps (6/14-7/23; no camp on 7/5). **NEXT SCHOOL YEAR:** Parents eager to secure a spot for fall clubs can plan on receiving a mailing around May 28 (earlybird discount and re-registration guarantee deadline: June 12). Please be aware that fall registration for Monday, Thursday, and Friday Clubs will open to the general public (i.e., incoming rookies for '10-'11) on 6/14. **ASSISTANTS:** Paul is working on our roster of camp and club assistants (9th-12th grade) for summer & fall; all current and potential assistants should discuss preferences of club days by 4/30 so that assistants' names can appear in our fall mailing. **COACHING EXPANSION:** Paul is planning to further increase the presence of club coaches next year while decreasing his presence after school. Paul will still be on site for Monday & Friday Clubs and most Ultimate Club nights, with planned visits to Elite, Advanced, and Thursday Rec. More info. in May.

## JH Community News

- **MARCH 5—LAST CAMP 'TIL SUMMER:** 9-5 pm w/lunch, \$55; 9-12:30 pm or 1:30-5 p.m. w/o lunch, \$25. Register by 3/4 if possible. **REMINDER:** NO Friday Club on 3/5 (EPS release).
- **OFFICERS, 9-Noon:** 3/13 at Carneys'.
- **5th ANNUAL EYJA JUGGLING SHOWCASE:** More than 20 acts will entertain folks like YOU on Friday, 3/19 from 7:30-9 p.m. at South View Middle School in Edina. It's a great way to kick off our 2010 performing season, and it's FREE! Courtesy tickets are available at JH to help spread the word.
- **EYJA OFFERS APRIL WORKSHOP:** Three-time IJA gold medalist and two-time Ultimate choreographer **Jay Gilligan** along with fellow pro jugglers **Sean Blue**, **Tony Pezzo**, and **Luke Wilson** will lead a workshop at **St. Peter's Church in Edina on 4/14 from 6:30-9:30 pm.** The top-notch pros are also the special guests at **MONDO** that weekend. The youth event is FREE thanks to a grant from the EYJA. Q's? Contact EYJA board member **Katherine Carney** (952-922-5914).
- **MONDO Jugglefest** forms are available in the JH gym. 5-7 chaperones will lead up to 50 Jugheads for the all-day/evening event on Saturday, 4/17. Discount deadline is 3/12; registrations accepted (space-permitting) through 4/15.

- **SENIOR JUGHEADS'** families are encouraged to submit Jughead-related photos to Paul & Wendy by 4/23 to enhance the personal touch to JJ12's Senior Presentation. (NOTE: All four seniors will be honored on Saturday night's show.)
- **CONGRATS** to former Jughead **Caitie M.** ('00-'06) for making it to the championship of the MSHSL Girls' Hockey tournament as Edina's starting goalie! Even more honorable, she received the Class AA **Herb Brooks Award** for excellence on the ice and in the community. Caitie performed in JJs 3-8 with Wed. Rec. and Girls' Elite, also serving as a JH Officer.

## Paul's Platform: "Planning for Success"

"If you fail to plan, you plan to fail." As a Type-A personality, I can definitely relate to this old adage. My penchant to plan is driven by a desire to combat my natural tendency toward sloth and aimlessness. I *must* make plans, set deadlines, and create goals or I'll resort to ineffectiveness and fruitlessness. Many people who know me even a little bit are surprised when I say I perceive myself to be lazy, but at the least, I have a huge capacity to focus on the *wrong* activities as a means of procrastination or simply doing what comes easy or feels good instead of what is more challenging (but more rewarding in the long run).

Consider: fresh from college graduation in January '92, I wrote in my prayer journal, "I forsake Scrabble and darts until my (radio) audition scripts are finished." I had dawdled for weeks, hoping to get inspiration, but I had to "just do it" to get my career kick-started (eventually to realize that I wasn't being called to talk radio). Ever since about 5th grade, I've struggled against foreboding project deadlines, making a mountain of worry out of the molehill of duties. Now that I work nearly every day with (pre-) adolescents, I see myself in their healthy nervousness of Showcase and JJ deadlines. But the coaches & I emphasize the sweet rewards of consistent work; belonging to a supportive community; and conquering molehills. Fostering planning skills are at the heart of our big spring shows, and a fun bonus is that they're *entertaining!* See you March 19!

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