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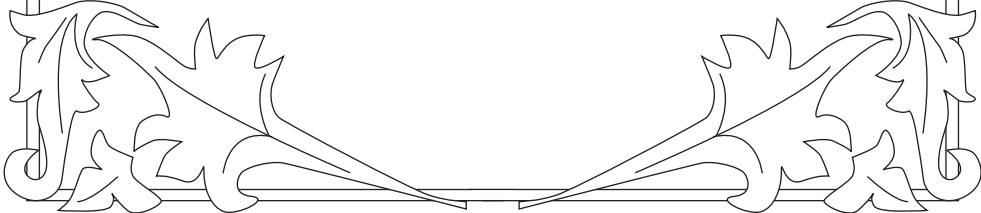
Northwest Arkansas Junior Cotillion, Inc.

Mother's Tea

Sunday

August 25, 2024

www.nwajc.com





*Thank you for attending the
Mother's Tea*

We appreciate your attendance. Our phone rings a lot during cotillion season, and your being at the tea decreases the number of calls we receive.

We enjoy the privilege of working with young teens at a critical stage in their life. We work very hard to help each cotillion member feel comfortable, confident and accepted. We are blessed with top-quality teen helpers working to help our members grow in social skills and self-confidence.

Please call us if you have any special needs or concerns about your child. We will do everything possible to help them - even private dance lessons. Cotillion should be a fun experience.

Thank you again for coming. We're looking forward to a fantastic season!

Fondly,

Susan and Pam

www.nwajc.com

waltz@nwajc.com

Susan 521-6593

Pam 530-1633



Thank You!

Pam & Susan



The first Cotillion Event will be held Saturday, September 28th, 2024

Lead Dance Instructor: Mrs. William Steven (Pam) Jones
 Etiquette Instructor: Mrs. Bradley Paul (Susan) Gessler
 Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Jonathan (Natalie) Ramsey
 Technical Advisor Mr. Jonathan Ramsey

Photography and Video: Cotillion Members will be photographed and video-taped for special events. Pictures will be available for purchase.

Go to our website: nwajc.com

Cotillion Events will be held at Mount Sequoyah Bailey Center, 150 N. Skyline Dr. and will begin promptly at 5:30 p.m.

Dance Events

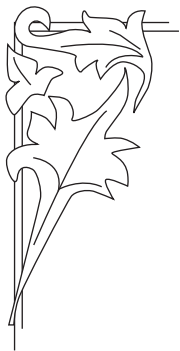
Chevalier and Dame (5th & 6th grade) 5:30-6:45 pm

Marquis and Marquise Etiquette instruction (7th & 8th grade) 6:45-7:30 pm

Sept. 28	Opening Dance	Semi-Formal
Oct. 12	Dance	Semi-Formal
Nov. 9	Dance	Semi-Formal
Jan. 11	King and Queen Election	Semi-Formal
Jan 25	Mardi Gras Ball	Formal

***The Mardi Gras Ball will be formal and held at The Fayetteville Town Center
 15 West Mountain Street
 Fayetteville, AR 72701**





Basic Rules

1. **Online Registration:** www.nwajc.com Please mark your calendar with correct dates for 2024-2025 Cotillion Season.
2. **Always, always, always, call if your child will not be at Cotillion.** Give us as much notice as possible. It is very important for our boy-girl ratio. It also helps us to start on-time, so we are not delaying for members who are not coming.
3. Please read and cooperate with our “Drop off and Pick up” policies.
4. If your child has missed Cotillion, please call us and let us know if you intend to bring them to the Monday make up class. This class is only held on the Mondays that follow cotillion events, from 4-5 pm. If it is impossible to make up on Monday, and your child needs help, call us, we will try to help them at another time. Please let us know if you are coming, because if no one calls we will not be there!!! **Susan 521-6593, Pam 530-1633.**
Make-up classes will be held at the home of Susan Gessler 318 East Lafayette, Fayetteville.
5. All payments should be paid in full by Mother's Tea.



Additional Notes

Online Registration: www.nwajc.com

All Cotillion fees are due:

Please make sure you have paid your balance. If your child has a scholarship, please make sure you have filled out all forms.

New Policy*

We do not send out bills. All membership fees are due by Sunday, August 21nd. (We appreciate your cooperation regarding this.)

*If membership fees are not paid in full before our first dance, your child will not be admitted to our second dance unless you have paid in full. We will be **Firm** with this policy. This would be most unfortunate for your child and we do not want this to happen. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Please remember that you must register your child; all forms must be filled out prior to Cotillion.





Important Notes

Absentees

If you know your child is going to miss cotillion, please call Susan (521-6593) or Pam (530-1633) as far in advance as possible. This will help us with our boy-to-girl ratio, and scheduling our teen helpers.

Make-up Classes

Any Cotillion member can come to the make-up class (Mondays following cotillion events from 4-5 pm). If your child has missed an event or needs one-on-one instruction they are welcome to come. The class usually has 1-10 members so they will receive a lot of personal attention. Please call Susan if you plan on attending. If no one calls, she will not hold class. All dress is very casual for this class ~ most members come straight from school.

When and Where

Mondays following Cotillion events
from 4:00 ~ 5:00 p.m.
call Susan 521-6593

4:00 ~ 5:00 p.m.
Susan Gessler's home
318 East Lafayette
Fayetteville, Ar 72701

Makeup Class Schedule

Mon.	Sept. 30	4-5 pm
Mon.	Oct. 14	4-5 pm
Mon.	Nov. 11	4-5 pm
Mon.	Jan. 13	4-5 pm



Attire

Semi-Formal

Girls Short, dressy dresses and gloves

Boys Sport coat, tie, dress slacks, or suit with dress shirt and dress shoes.

Formal

Girls Formal long dresses and gloves

Boys Black suit or tuxedo

Girls always wear gloves!
No tennis shoes.





Members Only:

Guests for Mardi Gras

Guests are welcome, i.e. siblings, grandparents, and family members. Please wear semi-formal or formal attire. Gentlemen can wear suits, coat and tie, or tuxedo.

Personal Items

We are not responsible for lost articles. PLEASE MARK YOUR NAME IN YOUR COAT. Several members have the same style coats, which can easily get mixed up. It is not necessary to bring hand bags. If you do, we cannot be responsible for them. If you must bring personal items, i.e. clothes for spending the night, we can put them back for you. But if anything gets lost, we cannot be responsible for them. We understand that sometimes it is necessary for you to bring personal items.

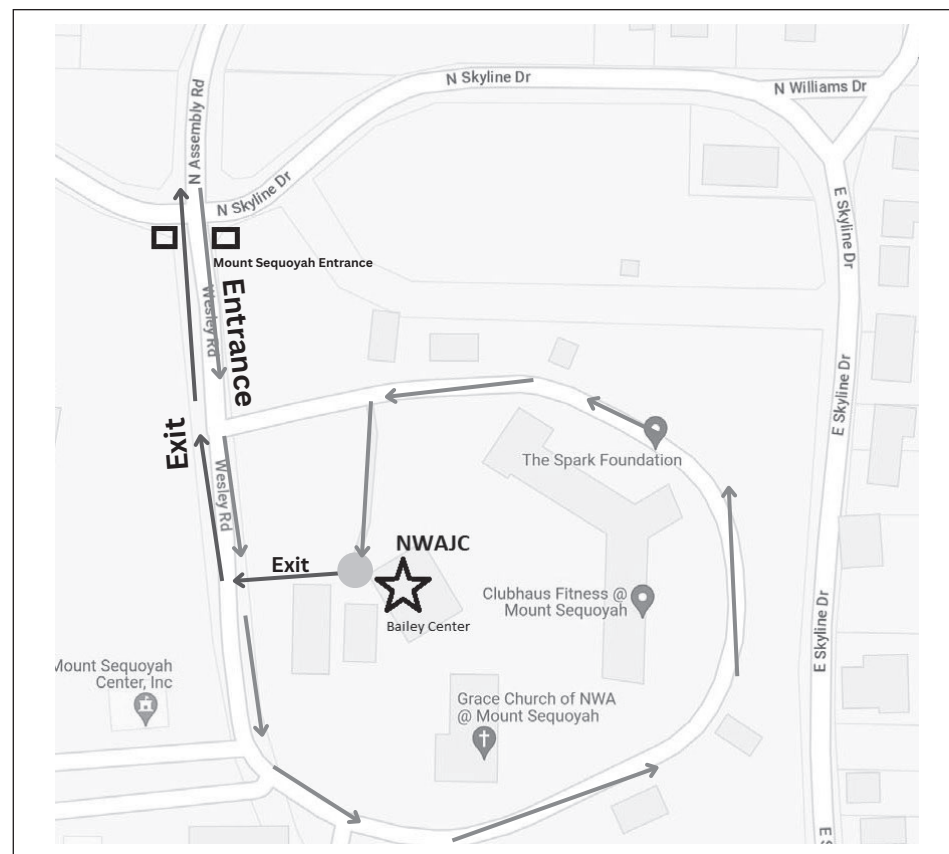
Gloves

Girls must wear gloves to all cotillion events.



Drop-off and Pick-up Map

*Mount Sequoyah Bailey Center,
150 N. Skyline Dr., Fayetteville*





Drop-off and Pick-up Policies

Because we are concerned with the safety and well being of each and every Cotillion Member, we ask that you as parents help us by following the prescribed route to drop off and pick up your children. This will also help with the flow of traffic and aid in your quick exit.

Drop-off Policy

We request that all cotillion members exit your vehicle by the driver's side. Our teen assistants will be there to assist them and escort them into the Bailey Center.

Pick-up Policy

*Some members go out to dinner after cotillion in a group, if they have your permission to do so it is okay with us. However, we can only go by their word, which we trust is true, that they do in fact **have your permission**. We cannot accept responsibility for cotillion participants after they leave the building. We have never had difficulty with this, but please make sure you communicate with your child, so we are all on the same page. Thank you!*

Cotillion Helpers will help with pick-up. They will try to assist your child in finding your car. Please drive slowly.

Your cooperation is appreciated!



Contact Numbers

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Pam 530-1633

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Website: www.nwajc.com

Mailing Address:

Northwest Arkansas Junior Cotillion
318 E. Lafayette Street
Fayetteville, AR 72701





Etiquette

Etiquette Lessons for the season will be as follows:

Saturday, Sept. 28, 2024 Introductions and handshakes. Being escorted, opening doors, basic party manners.

Saturday, Oct. 12, 2024 Social media and telephone etiquette.

Saturday, Nov. 9, 2024 Table graces, restaurant dining, tipping.

Saturday, Jan. 11, 2025 Thank you notes, reception and event etiquette.

Saturday, Jan. 25, 2025 Mardi Gras Ball! Practice makes perfect!

Please note that Mrs. Gessler and Mrs. Jones teach different points of etiquette throughout each cotillion event. The focus lessons are taught by Mrs. Gessler during a short break from the dance lessons.



Etiquette Handouts

Watch for etiquette handouts after each Cotillion.

Cotillion members will receive handouts after all “non-event” cotillion dances.

“We teach etiquette”

Each member will learn some very specific skills, i.e. introductions, handshaking, opening doors, writing thank you notes, etc.

