LISA VAN NESS, Owner of Kidzone/Shore Tumbling

I currently live in Manahawkin and have 3 children, Megan age 24...graduated ECU with a Bachelor's Degree in Healthcare Management and works in a hospital in Greenville, NC, Robbie age 20...currently in California coaching tumbling for a cheerleading gym, and Carly age 17...a Senior at SRHS, she tumbles and runs track. They all cheered for my original gym, Cheer Gym Riptides and coached for the gym but are currently doing other things as you can see.

I have a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology from Elizabethtown College in Pennsylvania. I was in gymnastics and dance for many years and also cheered in college. I am from Maryland and moved to New Jersey when I graduated college. I did sales & career counseling before I had children and then worked for Mary Kay and Country Peddlers while staying at home to raise my children when they were young. I also became a certified Personal Trainer and Step Instructor which I taught for several years.

I opened Cheer Gym in West Creek back in 2005 with two partners after getting involved in cheerleading with my oldest daughter when she was 6. We decided we wanted to open an All-star competitive cheer gym to offer a more competitive program in the Southern Ocean county area. In 2015, we closed Cheer Gym and I decided to leave the cheer world and continue as sole owner of Kidzone, a tumbling gym for children of all ages in Manahawkin.

My goal at Kidzone is to offer a quality program that families can afford. I am extremely passionate about offering a positive and enthusiastic learning environment. I want my gym to provide a comfortable environment for both my students and their parents. I want my students to have fun while they enjoy tumbling as a form of exercise but also be able to reach their tumbling and fitness goals with the encouragement of our Kidzone coaches. I love my business and have high standards for my staff because I know they will have a major influence on the children who attend and it must be a positive one.