

The Dancer's Page

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Greetings from Stacey



Thank you all so very much for the smooth start to our dance year. It brings great joy to my heart to not only see happy dancers enjoying their experience, but watching families interact out in the observation room. Our dance community is a special one, and I am honored to be a part of all the encompassing families.

Thank you for your generosity with helping the grandma's and grandpa's at Pine Shadows Nursing home, as well as the countless number of cake mixes and frosting helping Mission Northeast. The next few months we will be helping "angels" from Society of St. Stephens granting Christmas wishes, as well as the L3 Foundation Kids Helping Kids Fight Cancer. We will be collecting gift cards or money donations to purchase various gift cards to bless families who are fighting cancer with their children. It's hard to imagine the pain and trials

associated with having a sick child, but something we can do is give hope and blessings to those families. As always, these philanthropies are optional, and I ask that only if you feel led to help that you participate.

Our studio will be turning into a Winter Wonderland December 6th. Studio recreational classes will welcome their families and friends to this special dance event. **We are in need of hundreds of cookies** (baked or store bought), so please let us know if you can help in this area. Look for specific information regarding the schedule in this newsletter.

If you are looking for holiday gift ideas, we are hosting a **Master Series Dance Convention** at the studio for dancers ages 5 and up on January 10th-11th. (Gift certificates available in the office).

Coming soon, our Mousey Girlfriend's Marvelous Ballerina Box filled with all necessary princess items: crown, tutu, jewelry, stickers, special t shirt, Mousey Girlfriend and more. A sample box will be displayed in the office soon.

As we prepare for the Thanksgiving holiday, try to find time to have your family make a list of the many things they are thankful for. When I'm feeling sad, I take a "Thankfulness" shower. I stand in the shower and out loud list all the things I am thankful for. I usually feel much better when the shower is complete and realize the things I get upset about really are not that major after all.

L3 Foundation

Founded by Haley and Teigan Ahrendt, sisters of Landon, to work hand in hand with children to raise awareness, support, and funding focused on finding the cure to childhood soft tissue cancer.

Their vision is a widespread movement, lead by children and empowered by adult mentors, forced to redefine their mission after they have celebrated the cure to childhood cancer.

L3 is asking for donations of gift cards or cash to purchase gift cards to give to children in treatment at Texas Children's Hospital. Please bring gift cards of any denomination to the studio office or to the Winter Wonderland Recital.

October Philanthropy

The winners for the October Philanthropy Mission Northeast Cake Mix and Frosting Drive are Ms. Tracy's Monday 6:15 3-4 Year Old Class and Babe White. They have won a FREE Pizza Party!

The front office will continue to collect donations this month as the need at Mission Northeast is tremendous throughout the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.



November Philanthropy

"Angel Tree" Benefiting Society of St. Stephens

Society of St. Stephens has registered 500 families, almost 1500 kids this year. Each registered child will receive approximately 3 toys on their "wish list". For most of these children, this will be the only toys they receive at Christmas time. Beginning the week of November 10th, the office window will have name tags with names of the children with their wish list on the back. When your family adopts the "Angel" they are to bring to the studio office the unwrapped new toys in a bag

with the tag attached by **December 10th**. It is not necessary you purchase every item on their wish list. We ask each family to spend approximately \$35 on their adopted "Angel". Stacey's Dance Studio will take the gifts to Society of St. Stephens for distribution. The Studio will need to keep track of who "adopts" an angel. Each family who wants to adopt a child will need to come in and write down their name, class, phone number, adopted child's name and the tag # that they have taken. Thank you for finding a place in your heart for a child in need.

Winter Wonderland Recital

Your family and friends are cordially invited to the "Winter Wonderland" Dance Recital on Saturday, December 6th at Stacey's Dance Studio. The Elves are already busy working: Lindsay Moore of Fabulous Occasions will be taking photos for an additional charge in "Winter Wonderland" (Green studio); refreshments will be served in the "Gingerbread Tea Room" (Blue studio); dancers will primp in "Sugar Plum Palace" (Pink studio); flowers and candy for your Princess will be ready to be picked up or be sold on "Candy Cane Lane" (Teal studio); and all classes will perform



on the "Nutcracker Stage" (Purple studio). There will be plenty of parking. We have permission to park in the office building parking lot and Village Learning Center.

Costumes: Costumes are arriving daily. We will email details on hair, tights, and shoes. Please put light makeup on your dancer (blush, red/pink lipstick) to help enhance the sparkle in her eyes.

Recital Schedule: Please arrive at the studio 10 minutes (no earlier) before your scheduled performance with your dancer dressed and ready to perform. The

studio will be on a tight schedule and unfortunately we cannot delay or wait for someone not present. If you get to the studio and forgot your shoes or costume piece, please do not go home unless there is enough time allowed. We have extra dance shoes you can borrow. Each class will have 15 minutes in the performance area and 15 minutes in the Gingerbread Tea room for refreshments.

Cookie Volunteers: In order to make this an unforgettable experience, there will be a need for volunteers to provide baked or store bought goodies; cookies, cakes, brownies, refreshments, etc. for our studio families and their guests. Please email the studio office at info@staceysdancestudio.com if you would like to help.

Strutter Sisters

Strutter Sisters are two girls randomly paired on each team to help build friendships and increase team bonding. The girls exchange Strutter Sister "gifts" (i.e. small tokens of friendship) at each competition. We encourage you to take photos of the "sisters" throughout the season to use in the end of year banquet video.

Each girl will be asked to complete a questionnaire with their "favorites" on it—favorite color, favorite candy, etc. to exchange with their Strutter Sister. Our

Strutter teams (Babe Silver and up) will receive their Strutter Sisters at the team Christmas parties to be held the week of December 15th.

We want to STRESS that these "Strutter Love Gifts" are not to be "money driven", but yet "thought driven." We have given each contest a specific "theme" to follow and a money limit.

For those of you who like to shop early, the Strutter Sister Themes for Competition

Season are: Hat or Hair Accessory (\$5-7); Anything Sparkly (\$5-7); Candy (\$3-5); and Anything Purple and Green (\$7-10)

There is a New Mom Strutter Meeting scheduled for January 15th at 5:00 pm. We will have examples of Strutter Sister gifts for you to see. Ronda Shannon, the Mary Kay representative, will also be available at the end of the meeting to demonstrate proper dance makeup application including false eyelashes.

Mousey Girlfriend's Marvelous Ballerina Gift Box

Mousey Girlfriend's Marvelous Ballerina Box will be available for holiday purchase if you or grandma needs a gift idea. Mousey is our ballet friend who we talk about when making first position with our feet. Mousey Girlfriend helps younger dancers visualize the ballet steps and it gives the dancers something to think about while working on the slower more precise dance steps. Dancer's open up their feet but their heels remain "kissing", so to provide a safe place for Mousey to sit. The ballerina box is a special box that holds all necessary princess items. There is a rhinestone princess crown, a beautiful tutu, a limited edition Mousey Girlfriend T-shirt, and ballerina necklace, some dress up jewelry, stickers, coloring ballet papers, the dancers own Mousey Girlfriend stuffed animal, and more! There will be a free dance CD



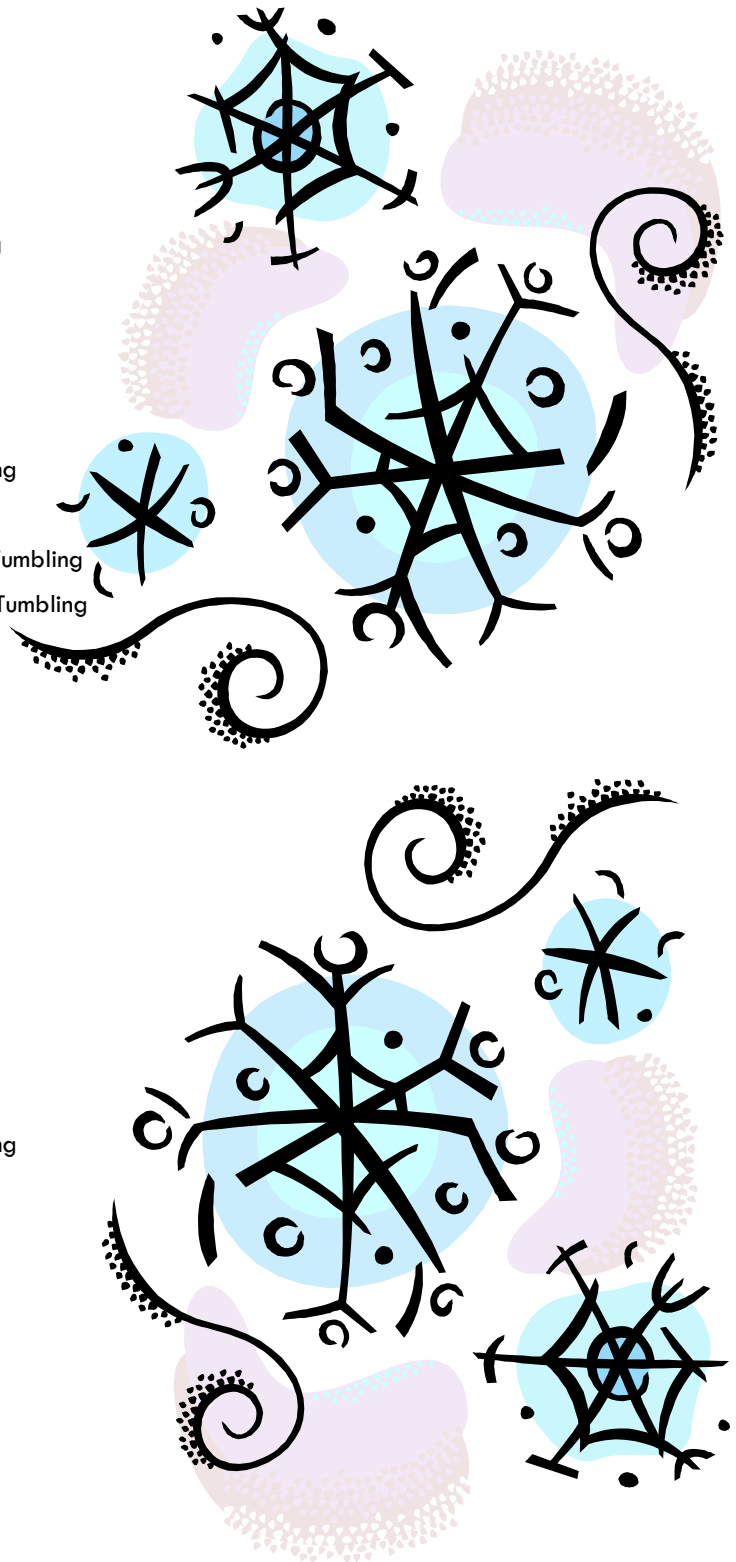
included with your box that includes some of our dance favorites we dance to each week. The box will be a perfect keepsake to hold all the Princess dance items.

In addition, we will be offering a Princess Ballerina Box that will have all the items included in Mousey's Marvelous Box, however, the price will be adjusted, as Mousey Girlfriend is not included in the Princess Ballerina Box. We will have a sample of the boxes in the office soon,

and will begin taking preorders to ensure the boxes arrive before Christmas.

Winter Wonderland Schedule—Saturday, December 6th

9:00	Tuesday 9:00 3-4 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
9:15	Saturday 11:00 K-1st Grade Jazz
9:30	Friday 9:00 3-4 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
9:45	Saturday 10:00 4-5 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
10:00	Friday 10:00 4-5 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
10:15	Wednesday 9:00 3-4 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
10:30	Thursday 4:00 K-1st Grade Jazz
10:45	Thursday 1:00 3-4 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
11:00	Tuesday 10:00 3-4 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
11:15	Friday 11:00 4-5 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
11:30	Wednesday 10:00 3-4 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
11:45	Thursday 2:00 4-5 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
12:00	Wednesday 6:00 Tracy's 4-5 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
12:15	Wednesday 6:00 Sarah's 4-5 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
12:30	Monday 5:30 K-1st Grade Jazz
12:45	Thursday 6:00 4-5 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
1:00	Tuesday 6:15 Beginning Ballet
1:15	Monday 6:15 3-4 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
1:30	Wednesday 4:45 Beginning Ballet
1:45	Monday 1:00 4-5 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
2:00	Monday 7:15 2nd-4th Grade Jazz
2:15	Monday 2:00 4-5 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
2:30	Tuesday 11:00 4-5 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
2:45	Tuesday 4:30 1st-2nd Grade Hip Hop
3:00	Monday 4:00 1st-2nd Grade Jazz
3:15	Wednesday 11:00 4-5 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
3:30	Thursday 5:30 1st-2nd Grade Hip Hop
3:45	Tuesday 6:30 3-4 Ballet, Tap, and Tumbling
4:00	Tuesday 3:45 Kindergarten Combo
4:15	Thursday 4:30 Intermediate Ballet
4:30	Tuesday 7:15 & 8:00 Tap
4:45	Tuesday 6:00 2nd-4th Grade Jazz
5:00	Monday 3:00 Kindergarten Jazz
5:15	Thursday 7:15 3rd-4th Grade Hip Hop
5:30	Tuesday 5:30 5th-8th Grade Hip Hop
5:45	Wednesday 7:00 5th Grade-Middle School Jazz
6:00	Monday 7:00 Musical Theater



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Winter Wonderland Holiday Camps

Stacey's Dance Studio will be hosting our 4th Annual Winter Wonderland Holiday Camp Friday, November 28th or Monday, December 22nd 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. for ages 3-10 years old. Theme based on the Movie "Frozen" with a ****Special Guest Appearance by Elsa****. Enjoy a day of Christmas Shopping and Festivities while your children have fun taking a picture with Elsa, dancing, playing games, dressing-up and doing Christmas crafts. We will have all of our studios available to divide children by age groups.

Registration Deadlines:

November Camp: November 22nd

December Camp: December 20th

Cost:

\$65 (includes snack, pizza lunch)

8:00 a.m. drop-off available for \$10 extra charge

Sibling discount \$10

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November Reminders

Winter Wonderland (December 6th)

Our studio classes have been working SO hard to prepare for their Winter Wonderland recital. With our Christmas recital just around the corner, class attendance is crucial. We are learning our dance for the recital. When one girl is missing, it is hard to teach the dancers the dance. Please do everything you can to attend your class.

Recital Flower & Candy Orders (Due November 14)

Back by popular demand for your dancer is our Christmas Recital T-shirt. (Design shown in blue box on page 2) We will be offering flowers, candy, and T-shirts for pre-sale for our recital. You should have received an email with order form attached. This is a great way to recognize your daughter's effort, so order early! There will be limited extra candy and T-shirts at the show, but these go quickly!

Spring Semester (December 20th)

Your dancer does not need to re-enroll in class. Our classes run from August 18th – May 9th. If you are on the Semi-Annual Payment Plan, you will receive an email with the tuition payment for the Spring Semester. This payment is due on or before the first dance class in January 2015. If you need to change your payment plan or drop the class, please email or stop by the studio office by December 20, 2014.

(November 24th-29th) Thanksgiving Break

There will be no classes the week of Thanksgiving, November 24th- November 29th. We will resume classes on December 1st.

(week of December 15) Christmas Parties

We will be having class as usual the week of December 8th. The week of December 15th, we will have our class Christmas parties. We will have a gift exchange as a part of their celebration. The preschool classes will be exchanging a \$3.00-\$5.00 Christmas ornament and Kindergarten and up will exchange any kind of fun socks (Christmas, toe, crazy, etc.). Please bring wrapped gift on party day. We are also asking for a small donation due the week of December 1st to cover the cost of the party. Morning Classes (Donut Party): \$2 Afternoon Classes (Pizza Party): \$4

(May 1 and 2, 2015) Spring Recital

Mark your calendar! "Let's Dance 2015" will be held on May 1st and 2nd, 2015 at Kingwood High School.