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MISSION STATEMENT

City Youth Ballet is dedicated to increasing awareness and involvement of youth in performing arts in Stanly and surrounding counties. City Youth Ballet exists to connect and engage youth, educators, and families to the performing arts in innovative, meaningful, and participatory ways.

OUR VOLUNTEERS

The volunteers for this performance have spent countless hours building sets, sewing costumes, fundraising, chaperoning, organizing, and donating their time and energy to the City Youth Ballet, and the youth who are a part of this production. City Youth Ballet would not exist without the efforts of these individuals.

Our sincere gratitude goes out to these individuals.

BOARD MEMBERS

Audrey Lowder Hillary McSwain Devonna Morgan Elizabeth Ritter Contina Salyer John T. Williams, Jr.

COSTUME MISTRESS

Devonna Morgan

THE NUTCRACKER BALLET

ACT I

Christmas Eve at the Stahlbaum Home

Night

Battle of the Nutcracker & Rat King

Journey through the Pine Forest

Waltz of the Snowflakes

15 Minute Intermission

ACT II

Arrival in the Land of the Sweets

Chocolate

Coffee

Теа

Marzipan

Candy Canes

Mother Ginger & the Dance of the Bakers, Bon Bons & Cookie

Waltz of the Flowers

Dance of the Nutcracker Princess

Finale

ARTISTIC & TECHNICAL STAFF

LEIGH JOHNSON ROUSH Artistic Director & Choreographer



Leigh Johnson Roush has been the proud owner and director of Albemarle Academy of Dance for 34 years, as well as the dedicated artistic director of the City Youth Ballet since 1998. Leigh began her dance journey at a young age, eventually dancing and choreographing professionally across the country. Her passion and expertise have guided many students to success, with former students performing on Broadway, on cruise ships, with professional ballet companies, and teaching and choreographing both in the US and internationally.

Leigh's dedication has earned her many awards for choreography and technical training, and she's often invited to judge and teach master classes nationwide. She is also a proud mom to two grown sons: Jonas, an actor in Los Angeles, and Gabriel, a ballet dancer with BalletMet in Columbus, Ohio.

ARTISTIC & TECHNICAL STAFF

EDMUND ROUSH

Technical Director & Drosselmeyer



Edmund began his performing career at age twelve, performing in The Lost Colony Outdoor Drama. Edmund obtained his BFA degree in theatre, and a minor in dance from East Carolina University. Edmund has performed all over the East Coast. He was a principal dancer with Columbia Clty Ballet, and a principal performer in Horn in the West, and has performed and taught for Charlotte Children's Theatre. Edmund is a member of the stagehands union, and has been a technician for several traveling Broadway productions. Edmund is married to Leigh Roush, and they have two sons, Jonas & Gabriel

LAURA ALMOND

Choreographer



A teacher at heart, Laura is always excited to share her love of dance with students of all ages. She is certified in Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, East Coast Swing, International Latin dances including Jive, and Gymnastics Safety and Tumbling. Laura has also trained extensively in Jazz, Tap and Musical Theater. She is the production manager and choreographer for The Talent Company in Albemarle. Laura has also been involved with Stanly County Dancing with the Stars since 2012 as a producer and/or choreographer.

GUEST ARTIST

ALYDIA WHEELER The Nutcracker Princess



Alydia, daughter of Kyla Wheeler, is a Sophomore in the Dance Program at Elon University. Alydia is a former Albemarle Academy of Dance student of 12 years and member of the Showoffs competition team for six years. She has attended ballet summer intensives with the South Carolina Summer Dance Conservatory, North Carolina School of the Arts, BalletMet, Austin Ballet, and Katsbaan Ballet in New York. This will be Alydia's 6th Nutcracker with AAD, and she is excited to be back performing with the City Youth Ballet, once again, and dancing as the first female Nutcracker in the CYB history.



Ada Claire Almond

Snow, Tea

Ada Claire is ecstatic to perform in her third Nutcracker with City Youth Ballet. She is the 10-year-old daughter of Matt and Laura Almond of Albemarle and a fourth grader at Park Ridge Christian School. Ada has studied dance at Albemarle Academy of Dance for seven years. She also enjoyed studying ballet at the UNCSA Summer Intensive last summer. Ada Claire enjoys drawing, swimming with her siblings, Reagan and Ryker, doing gymnastics with mom and taking hikes with her dad at Morrow Mountain.



Ryker Almond

Fritz, Soldier, Cookie

Ryker is thrilled to perform in his second Nutcracker with City Youth Ballet. He is the 7-year-old son of Matt and Laura Almond of Albemarle and a second grader at Park Ridge Christian School. Ryker has studied dance at Albemarle Academy of Dance for four years. He also studies martial arts at Ronin MMA Club in Norwood. Ryker enjoys hunting and playing ball with dad, doing word searches and gymnastics with mom and playing Pokémon with his sisters, Reagan and Ada Claire.



Ella Averette

Snow, Tea

Ella is the 9-year-old daughter of Kevin and Adrienne Averette. Ella is so excited to dance in her second Nutcracker Ballet. She has been dancing for 5 years at Albemarle Academy of Dance and performs on their company team. She is a 4th grader at Badin Elementary School who loves school, dance, soccer and horseback riding.



Maddie Averette

Angel

Maddie is the 6-year-old daughter of Kevin and Adrienne Averette. Maddie has been dancing at Albemarle Academy of Dance for four years. She loves to cheer, dance, play outside and spend time with her family and friends. She is so excited to perform in her first Nutcracker Ballet.



Gracelyn Banemanivong

Soldier

Gracelyn is 6 years old and attends Park Ridge Christian School. She has a 9-year-old brother, Weston. In addition to dance, she loves gymnastics and mixed martial arts! She is such an outgoing girl and keeps us laughing. She also loves going to church and learning about Jesus. She is so excited to be in *The Nutcracker* this year!!!



Keely Beane

Rat, Snow, Flowers Keely is 17 years old and a senior at Montgomery Central High School. Keely is the daughter of Jerry and Donna Gay Beane. She dances at Elevate Ballet Company in Biscoe, NC. Her performance experience with EBC includes principal roles in *Cinderella, Wizard* of Oz, Neverland, and Beauty & the Beast. Keely has also performed with The Talent Company in their productions of *Cats* and *Clue* and most recently, she performed with The Uwharrie Players in The Addams Family Keely has a life long passion for the arts and she is thrilled to have the opportunity to dance for the first time with City Youth Ballet in *The Nutcracker*!



Jayla Cole

Rat, Snow, Chocolate

Jayla is 14 and attends North Stanly Middle school. She has been taking dance at Albemarle Academy of Dance since she was 3 years old and this will be her 5th Nutcracker. She has been in several Talent Company shows, most recently in *Into the Woods*. She is excited to show you the story of the Nutcracker and hopes you enjoy the show!



Danni Culp

Snow, Tea

Danni is the daughter of Mandy & Joseph Culp, and younger sister of Maddie Culp, who also stars in *The Nutcracker*. Danni began dancing at Albemarle Academy of Dance at the age of 3 where she specializes in tumble. This will be Danni's 3rd Nutcracker performance, where past roles included Angel, Marzipan, Soldier & Baker. When not dancing Danni enjoys playing softball & basketball.



Maddie Culp

Maria's friend, Lead Snow, Lead Marzipan, Flowers Maddie is the daughter of Mandy and Joseph Culp. She is 15 and has been dancing at Albemarle Academy of Dance since the age of 2. This will be Maddie's 4th Nutcracker performance. Past roles include Angels, Doll, numerous Marzipan appearances, Snow and Flowers.



Harmony Grace Dahle

Soldier, Baker

Harmony Grace is the daughter of Jeff and Tiffany Dahle. She is 9 years old and in the 4th grade at Central Elementary School. Harmony has been dancing with Albemarle Academy of Dance for 1 year and has 5 years of gymnastics with Stanly County Gymnastics. She enjoys dancing, singing, making friendship bracelets and randomly doing handstands and cartwheels. This is Harmony Grace's first Nutcracker with the City Youth Ballet.



Jeff Dahle

Party Adult

Jeff is excited to be performing in his first Nutcracker with City Youth Ballet. Diesel mechanic by day and super dad by night, Jeff is the father of Harmony Grace and Abyl. He enjoys camping and watching Panther football, and is stoked to be entering his dance dad era!



Abriella Eckman

Maria's Friend, Lead Snow, Lead Chocolate, Flowers Abriella is the daughter of Connie and Jay Eckman. She is 13 years old and in eighth grade at Gray Stone Day. Abriella has been dancing at Albemarle Academy of Dance for five years. She enjoys dancing, cheering, running, and spending time with friends. This is Abriella's second Nutcracker with City Youth Ballet.



Ivy Eschert

Tea

Ivy is the daughter of Jason and Crystal Eschert. She is a sixth grader at Oakboro Choice STEM School. She enjoys reading, drawing, dancing, and gymnastics. Ivy attends Albemarle Academy of Dance and is excited to perform in her first Nutcracker with the City Youth Ballet.



Maisie Furr

Soldier, Baker

Maisie is excited to be in her second performance of *The Nutcracker* with the City Youth Ballet. She is a 10year-old student at Endy Elementary and studies dance at Albemarle Academy of Dance. She enjoys art, music, and playing with her dog, Suki.



Lila Hartsell

Angel, Bon Bon

Lila is the daughter of Stephen and Tabitha Hartsell. She is a first grader at Norwood Elementary School and a current student at Albemarle Academy of Dance where she takes ballet and tumble. She loves dance, cheerleading, her pets, and playing with her American Girl doll. This will be her second Nutcracker with City Youth Ballet and she is very excited!!



Taylen Herrin

Party Adult, Snow, Chocolate, Flowers

Taylen is 14 years old and has been dancing for twelve years, the last five years on a competitive team at No Limits Dance Company. She is a sophomore at West Stanly High School where she is involved in Skills USA. Taylen has studied various types of dance including ballet, pointe, jazz, tap, lyrical, contemporary, modern, and ballroom. She has performed in many venues including the Southern Christmas Show, the Novant Thanksgiving parade that aired on CBS, and the Randy Travis Music Festival. This is Taylen's first Nutcracker and she is so excited to join City Youth Ballet in their production.



Joely Hinson Clara

Joely is the daughter of Sara Gardon and Kurt Hinson, and bonus parents Ally Love-Hinson and Andrew Sistar. She is 10 years old and in 4th grade at Carolina Christian School. Joely has been dancing at Albemarle Academy of Dance for 8 years. This is her third Nutcracker performance with City Youth Ballet. With a Neeny helping to cultivate a love of the arts from a young age, and a Poppy supporting her dance education, Joely has a love for the stage, expressing herself through movement, and putting on a show. With a grateful heart, Joely is honored to dance the role of Clara and so excited to take the stage with her friends and fellow dancers.



Anniston Horton

Governess, Flowers, Snow

Anniston is excited to be performing in her fourth Nutcracker with the City Youth Ballet . She is the 12year- old daughter of Jeff and Holly Horton and a seventh grader at South Stanly Middle School. Anniston studies at Albemarle Academy of Dance. Her performance experience includes several competition seasons with the AAD Showoffs. She has previously held the role of Angel, Baker, Tea , Rat and Snow in CYB's Nutcracker productions. She also enjoys playing volleyball, swimming , collecting water bottles, and getting her nails done.



Kamdyn Huneycutt

Rat, Chocolate, Flowers

Kamdyn is excited to return to the stage in her fourth Nutcracker. She is the 13-year-old daughter of Wil and Katie Huneycutt. Kamdyn is in her seventh year of studying dance at Albemarle Academy of Dance, where she is a member of the Showoffs Company. Her previous roles in the CYB's Nutcracker include Rats, Baker, Party Girl, Snow, and Coffee. When not at the dance studio, Kamdyn enjoys spending time with friends and family and going to the beach.



Karmyn Huneycutt

Clara's Friend, Lead Tea, Flowers

Karmyn is returning to the stage for her third CYB's Nutcracker. She is the 12-year-old daughter of Wil and Katie Huneycutt. She is a member of the Showoff's and has began her seventh year of dance at Albemarle Academy of Dance. Karmyn has previously taken the stage with the Talent Company in their production of *The Little Mermaid*. Her former Nutcracker roles include Frannie, Soldier, Baker, and Tea Corp. Karmyn enjoys drawing, spending time with family and friends, and tap dancing everywhere she goes.



Thora Kilde

Maria, Snow Queen, Candy Canes, Flowers Thora is the daughter of John and Heather Kilde. She is a junior at Grey Stone Day School. Thora has performed in the past four Nutcrackers as an Angel, a Baker, a Doll, Chinese corps, Clara's friend, a Snow and the Dew Drop Fairy. She has been a student at AAD for 15 years and enjoys ballet and tap. On the weekends Thora loves hanging out at local coffee shops with friends and loving on her five pets.



Leilani King

Doll, Marzipan

Leilani has been dancing since the age of four with Albemarle Academy of Dance, and is excited for her third Nutcracker with City Youth Ballet! Daughter of Randall and Alia King and sister to Lorelei, Leilani is a fourth grader in the Dual Language Immersion program at Endy. In addition to dancing, she enjoys swimming, reading and being outside.



Adam Lowder

Party Adult

Enjoying success in multiple musicals, with roles such as Jesus in *Godspell*, the Lion in *The Wiz*, and Sancho Panza in *Man of LaMancha*, Adam makes his ballet debut with as little dancing as possible. Because honestly, no one really wants to see that.



Alayna Lowder

Clara's Friend, Marzipan, Flowers

Alayna is the 10-year-old daughter of Adam and Anne Lowder. She is homeschooled and in the fifth grade. This is Alayna's second performance in *The Nutcracker* and her third year at Albemarle Academy of Dance. Before attending AAD she had six years of gymnastics training. Alayna is excited to share the magic of the Nutcracker with you!



Lillian Lowder

Теа

Lillian is the daughter of Kevin and Julia Lowder. She is 11 years old and has been dancing at Albemarle Academy of Dance for 2 years. She enjoys art, dancing, making jewelry, and playing with her little brother, Liam. This is Lillian's first Nutcracker with the City Youth Ballet .



Teryn Lowder

Fritz's Friend, Bon Bon

Teryn is the 5 year old daughter of Adam and Anne Lowder. She is in her second year of dance at AAD. She is sooo excited to perform in her first Nutcracker alongside her daddy and big sister!



Harper McSwain

Doll, Snow, Tea

Harper is the 10-year-old daughter of Cody and Hillary McSwain, and has been dancing at Albemarle Academy of Dance since she was two years old, making her first appearance in *The Nutcracker* at only three months old. Now a 4th grader, Harper loves crafting, traveling and exploring new places, and learning all about sea life.



Brook Cherith Milano

Soldier, Bon Bon

Brook is the daughter of Rob and Cheri Milano. She is 7 years old and is in 3rd grade at Aquadale Elementary. She enjoys dancing and singing and is very active in her church. Brook has been dancing since she could walk and has attended Albemarle Academy of Dance for 4 years. She is excited to be performing in her second production of *The Nutcracker* with the City Youth Ballet.



Makynlie Mills

Snow, Flowers

Makynlie is the 13 year old daughter of Courtney and Rusty Mills. This is her first Nutcracker performance. An eighth grader at South Stanly Middle School, she enjoys making bracelets, dancing and running.



Ella Pope

Soldier

Ella is the 7-year-old daughter of Kyle Pope and Elizabeth Hinson. Ella is currently in her third year of dance at Albemarle Academy of Dance and is excited to be performing in her second Nutcracker with the City Youth Ballet. Ella is in second grade in the dual language immersion program at Endy Elementary School. Ella loves to dance, tumble, color and be outside.



Emagene Ritter

Party Adult, Rat, Snow, Chocolate Emagene is the 16-year-old daughter of Elizabeth and Jason Ritter, and this is her 4th Nutcracker with CYB. She has been attending Albemarle Academy of Dance for 11 years. A junior at North Stanly High School, Emagene loves to hang out with friends and work.



Karyme Salazar

Party Adult, Snow

Karyme is the 17-year-old daughter of Joseph and Lorena Corp and is a senior at FWM Christian Academy. She is thrilled to perform in her first Nutcracker with the City Youth Ballet. Karyme has been studying dance at Elevate Ballet Co. since 2019. She has been roles Lead Gatekeeper in the *Wizard of Oz*, Tiger Lily in *Neverland*, Maleficent in *Aurora*, and Cogsworth in *Beauty and the Beast*. Her other hobbies include playing clarinet, reading, writing, playing Just Dance, painting, and singing.



Blake Salyer

Fritz's Friend, Baker

Blake is the son of Matthew and Contina Salyer. He is 9 years old and in fourth grade at Locust Elementary School. Blake is in his third year of dance at Albemarle Academy of Dance. He enjoys playing baseball and is a member of Cub Pack 202. Blake is excited to be performing in his first Nutcracker alongside his dad and sisters Emma and Jadyn.



Emma Salyer

Maria's Friend, Lead Snow, Lead Coffee, Candy Canes, Dew Drop Fairy

Emma is the daughter of Matthew and Contina Salyer. She is a 17-year-old and a senior at West Stanly High School. This will be her 6th Nutcracker with the City Youth Ballet. Emma has been dancing since age 3 at Albemarle Academy of Dance studying various dance styles. She has previously performed Clara and Lead Chocolate in City Youth Ballet's Nutcracker. She has attended summer intensives for the past 4 years at University of South Carolina, University of North Carolina School of the Arts, and Richmond Ballet. She has been in Girl Scouts since age 4 and a member of the Showoffs team since 2015. She enjoys teaching, traveling, and spending time with family and friends.



Jadyn Salyer Rat King, Lead Snow, Lead Coffee, Candy Canes, Flowers

Jadyn is super excited to be performing in her fourth Nutcracker with City Youth Ballet! She is the fourteenyear-old daughter of Matthew and Contina Salyer and is in the ninth grade at West Stanly High School. Jadyn has been dancing at Albemarle Academy of Dance since the age of three. She has studied dance at Charlotte Ballet and Carolina Ballet over the summer. She enjoys dancing, playing pickleball, and hanging with her friends and family!



Matthew Salyer

Mother Ginger

Matt is the dance dad to Emma, Jadyn, and Blake. When he is not dressing up like a giant woman, and dancing with cookies and miniature bakers, he is helping with building sets. His wife, Contina, couldn't be prouder to see him in a wig and bra.



Caroline Shaver

Snow, Tea, Candy Canes

Caroline is 9 years old and the daughter of Matt and Elizabeth Shaver. She has danced with Albemarle Academy of Dance for 7 years. This will be her 3rd Nutcracker performance with City Youth Ballet. She has previously held the roles of Baker, Lead Angel, Marzipan, and Doll. She is excited to perform as Snow, Tea, and Candy Cane this year! When Caroline is not at dance, she likes to tap in front of her mirror, bake, play with her five dogs, and go to Disney World.



Isabella Shaver

Clara's Friend, Lead Tea, Flowers

Isabella is the daughter of Matt and Elizabeth Shaver. She is 11 years old and in the sixth grade. This will be her first Nutcracker and she is excited to embrace the roles of Clara's Friend, Flowers, and Lead Tea. She has danced at Albemarle Academy of Dance for a total of six years. She enjoys dancing, drawing, and cheer.



Willow Springer

Soldier, Bon Bon

Willow is excited to be performing in her second Nutcracker with City Youth Ballet! She is the 8-year-old daughter of Justin and Tasha Springer, and is in third grade at Aquadale Elementary School. Willow has been dancing at Albemarle Academy of Dance since she was 2 1/2 years old. When she isn't dancing, she enjoys drawing, painting, and taking horseback riding lessons.



Beverly Strother

Soldier, Baker

Beverly is 8 years old and in 3rd grade at Badin Elementary School. She is excited to perform in her first Nutcracker show, and this is her second year with Albemarle Academy of Dance, which she has developed a large passion for. She also enjoys spending time with her family and pets, shopping, and skating. She is very excited to continue pursuing her dream of being a professional ballerina.



Katie Stuart

Mrs. Stahlbaum

Katie is thrilled to be a part of the 2024 nutcracker as a party adult. She has danced with AAD for the 2022-2023 season. This will be her second Nutcracker. In 2022 she had the honor of being Rat King, Coffee Lead, and Flowers. She started dance at 16 and AAD helped show her it's never too late to become a beautiful dancer.



Mia Talbert

Теа

This is Mia's first year performing in *The Nutcracker* and second year at Albemarle Academy of Dance. She has participated in variety of classes including hip hop, tumble, and ballet. Mia has a great passion for ballet. She is in the 7th grade at NSMS where she a member of the band. In her spare time Mia enjoys baking and spending time with people who mean the most to her. Mia is blessed with a loving and supportive family especially her parents Travis and Amber Hatley.



Bellarose Tracy Anael

Bellarose is thrilled to be performing her second Nutcracker with City Youth Ballet. She has been dancing for two years and loves every moment of it. Her favorite styles of dance are ballet and tumble. When she's not dancing, Bellarose enjoys drawing funny sketches of her parents, playing barefoot outside, and reading Tuttle Twins books. She also loves spending time with her family and friends. Bellarose would like to thank her teachers for their support and her family for cheering her on! Enjoy the show!



John T Williams, Jr.

Party Guest #35 or Chef or Mr. Stahlbaum John Thomas Williams Jr. has become a familiar face in the City Youth Ballet's production of The Nutcracker, making his fifth appearance this season. His commitment to the role is evident in his increasingly significant presence on stage each year. Beyond his onstage performances, John plays a vital role behind the scenes. Years of private dance lessons have honed his skills, and his meticulous attention to detail extends to ensuring every gemstone is securely glued in place. His wife, Nicole, and their sons, Jack and Eli, provide unwavering support. John's passion for The Nutcracker has grown alongside his size and involvement in the production. Since joining City Youth Ballet, his personal collection of Nutcrackers has expanded from zero to several hundred, reflecting his deep appreciation for this beloved holidav classic.

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Dec. 5 @7:00 pm FREE (or Food Donation)

Dec. 6, 7 @7:00 pm Dec 8 @3:00 pm

Dec. 7 @7:00 pm Dec. 8 @3:00 pm FREE

Dec 13 @6:00 pm

Dec 14 @7:30 pm Stanly County Concert Band presents Christmas Concert @Central United Methodist Church, Albemarle

City Youth Ballet presents The Nutcracker @Stanly County Agri-Civic Center

Stanly County Chorale presents Carols at the Spinet: A New Spin on Old Favorites Dec 7 @First Baptist Church, Oakboro Dec 8 @First Baptist Church, Albemarle

The Uwharrie Players presents Twas the Night Before Murder: Murder Mystery Dinner @The Rosebriar Restaurant, Albemarle

Stanly County Concert Association presents The Hall Sisters @Stanly County Agri-Civic Center

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StanlyArts

Stanly Arts Guild

https://stanlyartsguild.com

Stanly Arts Guild

Hours: Wed 12-4 pm; Thurs & Fri 11 am-6 pm The Talent Company Sat: 10 am - 2 pm

Stanly County Chorale

http://stanlychorale.org

Stanly County Chorale Rehearsals Tuesdays at 6:30 pm @ First Presbyterian Church, Albemarle

Stanly County Concert Association (SCCA)

https://stanlyconcert.com

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Stanly County Concert Band

https://stanlycountyconcertband.com

Stanly County Concert Band

Rehearsals Thursdays at 6:30 pm @ Pfeiffer U Band Room, Misenheimer

Stanly County Historical Society

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The Singing Americans of Stanly County

Singing Americans Stanly County Rehearsals Mondays at 6:30 pm @Grace Baptist Church, Albemarle

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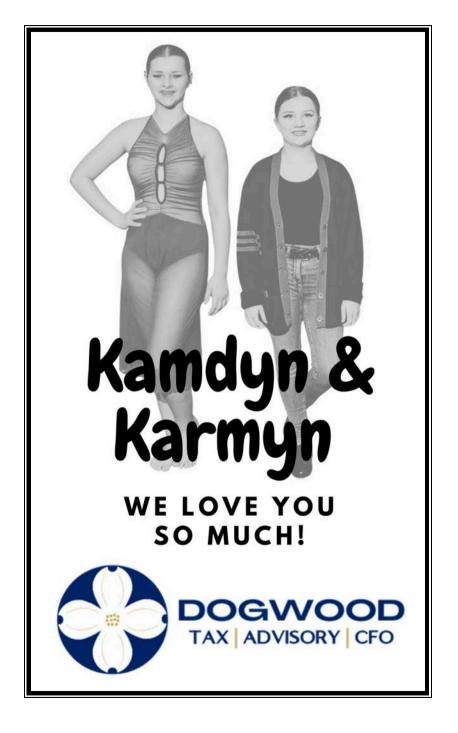
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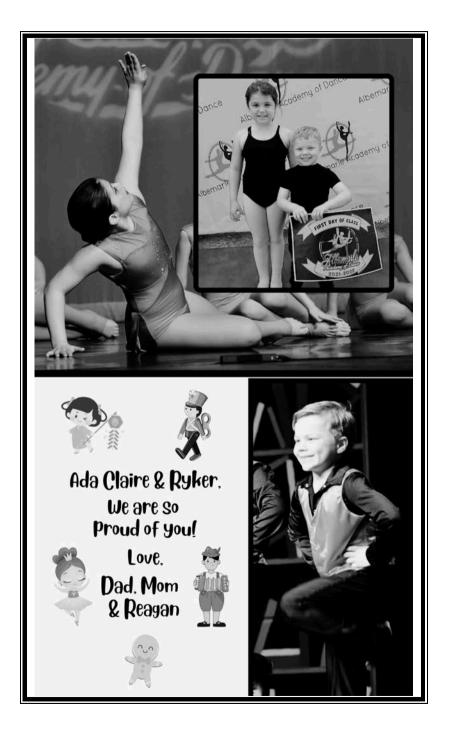
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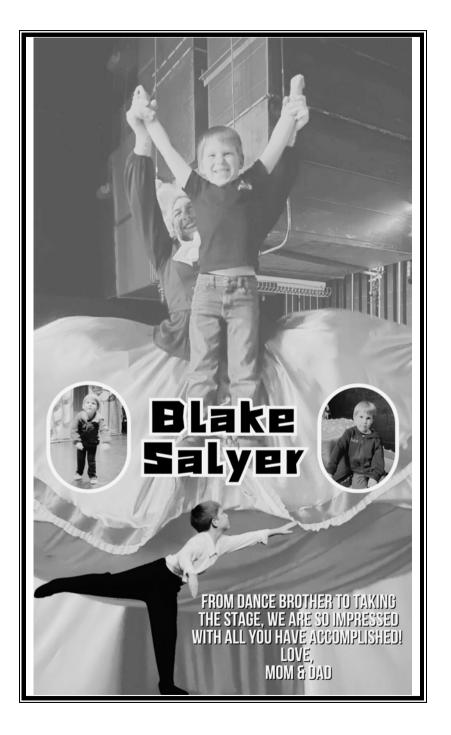
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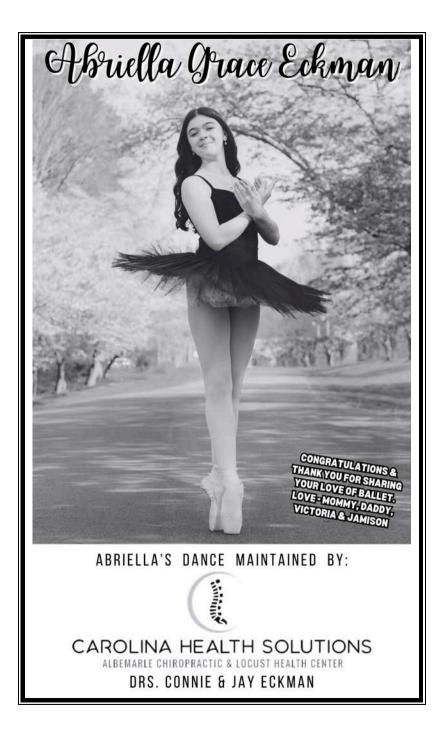


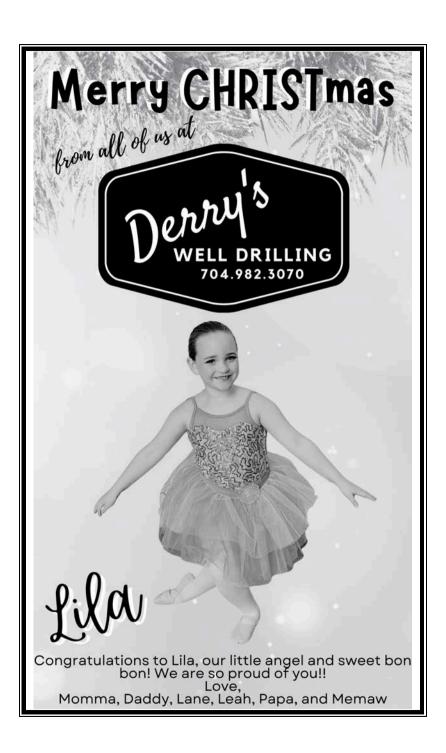




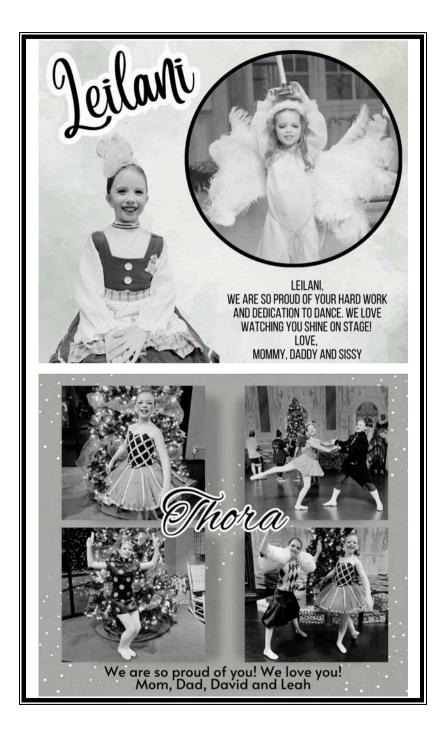


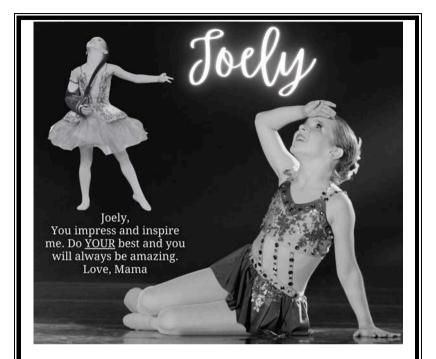












SHOUT OUTS

Ella and Maddie, we are incredibly proud of you for your hard work and dedication to dance. We are all so excited to watch you shine in the Nutcracker this year! Smile BIG :)!! We love you both so much! Your Family

Lillian - Your hard work and dedication have paid off because of your determination to improve your skills while maintaining your passion and love for dancing. Our hearts are full of pride for the dancer you have become over the past few years! We love you. Daddy, Mommy and Liam.

Way to go **Ella** we are so proud of you and love you. We are so excited to watch you in your second Nutcracker! Love Gigi and NahNah

Ella Ray we are so proud of you. We love you so much and love to watch you dance. Love mama, daddy and Preston

We love you, **Emagene**!! Enjoy your last Nutcracker and know that we are so proud of you!

Willow, Congratulations on your second Nutcracker season! We are so proud of all your hard work! Smile big and shine bright! We love you! Mom, Dad, & Ivy-Rose

Joely - You've been practicing "Clara" since you were three years old! We are so excited for you and proud of you! Love you more, more, more! Neeny & Poppy

Harper Claire - We're so proud of you. You're our best girl and we love you the most! Love, Mommy & Daddy

