

Hi everyone!

Wow- what a show!

First things first...

A big DCC thank you goes out to Tina Miller Kalina (DCC '84, '88-'90) for hooking us up at Del Frisco's Steakhouse for our first alumni Happy Hour! Can't thank you enough for making the night a huge success! Looking forward to many more get togethers with DCC sisters... what a glam group we had last night!



On with the show.... and what a show it was!

Bass Hall is absolutely gorgeous and as Gina Piazza Giovannoni (DCC '84-'87) put it "we've come a long way since the DeSoto High School theater!"

The show started with the traditional opening of the girls dancing on the stage and coming down the aisles to “Friends”. You could almost hear all the alumni take a deep breath in.... It was a full house and all enjoyed getting such a close up look at the ladies.

The traditional numbers – patriotic, Stuff Like That, and western (more honky tonk now- gone are the dusters in favor of cute shorts, cutoff shirts, boots, and our fave, RHINESTONES!), were performed with some newer “traditional numbers”- Rock Medley (a fave of most alumni since it was all our rock music!), sports funk (who knew our bodies could move like that?!), and Camouflage (a funk number with a military flair).

Each group performed and did video bios after the performance... great idea! Who remembers being totally out of breath trying to introduce yourself and be cute???

There were 2 new performances- a beautiful duet to “Time of My Life”- I believe one of the girls in the duet is retiring soon and you could tell the song embodied her emotions of the night.. the other new number was a tribute to the musical/ movie “Mamma Mia”. It was great fun and the ladies even had men and the Jr. DCC dancing with them during part of the performance. A big kudos to our own Kitty Chapman Carter (DCC '74-'76) for her choreography!

They've added some great video montages to the show as well... the first was the traditional (and family fave) baby pics... boy did Judy get Cassie good! There were 2 pics of Cassie during the videos- one of her buck naked bottom and one of her picking her nose... thanks mom! The next video was called “The Spirit of the DCC”- they broke down our creed and put appropriate pictures to represent the lines quoted. They did a nice “Farewell to Texas Stadium” which once again had the alumni sighing. The last video was of “Tour Memories”. What a special time that was for all of us that have been on tour.

A former Jr. DCC, now Miss Teen Longview, performed a cute ventriloquist number to “I’ve Been Everywhere”.

The future of the DCC looks bright based on the performance of the Jr. DCC. They performed to “Smile” which all of them did very nicely!

The final performance of the night was to “Move, Shake, Drop” which is the number they performed back at the Family & Friends rehearsal in August. It was very obvious that this number is a favorite among the current DCC.... they brought it BIG! When the final chorus of “Friends” played and the girls took their final bows, the tears began to flow. As alumni, we’ve all been there, on that night, and we all understood...

This last performance of the DCC brings the “Texas Stadium Ladies” era to a close. We soon will welcome in our last group of new alumni from our time. The next Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders that we see, will be the ladies carrying the torch into the new era....

*** Announcements***

Brandi Nace Redmond (DCC ’00-’03, ’04-’06) had her first baby December 8th- Brooklyn Shai Redmond

Monica Banfield (DCC 2002-03) got married on Valentine’s Day

Melissa Valdez (DCC ’94-’97, ’00-’02) married Shawn Fitzgerald on February 7th

Shannon Swanson Gulbis Landers (DCC ’94-’97, ’01-’03) had a baby girl, Lexie Grace Landers, on February 25th

*** ProBowl***

Nicole was briefly shown during the first quarter... since they don't let the girls wear their uniforms during halftime, it was hard to spot her..

Fitness

Jay Johnson, fitness guru to the DCC, has made a special offer for the DCC alumni....

It's just about that time again - to tighten up and get mean and lean for tryouts!

I wanted to make a special offer to all the Veteran DCC members to come out and attend one of our 4 week boot camp programs! We have over 13 locations across the metroplex - so all are welcome at any for a discounted price!

Please forward this flyer to all DCC and let them know there are also other locations they can attend. Just contact me

at jay@jaysbootcamp.com

and I'll let them know how to sign up for their discounted rate!

The Bachelor

... or scumbag, whichever! Our very own Melissa Rycroft (DCC '06-'08) made it to the final rose, got engaged, and then dumped on national tv by an awful guy! But there's a silver lining to everything... she was on Ellen today and making the talk show circuit- you'll never hear of the couple again, but you haven't heard the last from Melissa!

Auditions

Audition dates have been officially set for May. Please, if you know someone who could fill our boots, tell her to register online for prep classes and auditions. She may be one of the first to dance in the new stadium!

Thank you again to all that attended the happy hour and to those who responded to the evite. Even though you may be out of state (like me!) I still want to keep you in the loop... you might just be in town during one of our get togethers! Next year I'll work on getting us all to sit together for the show... you could tell who were alumni- we were the ones craning our necks looking for each other!

Cheers always,
Brooke Wicker Alexander
DCC 1992-1996