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Artistic Director Kristin Degnan has announced that Ballet Northeast will present its 26th annual full-length traditional "Nutcracker" at Wilkes University's Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts with performances at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 18 and 19, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 20.

Featured in the principal roles of the sugarplum Fair and her Cavalier will be Ballet Northeast soloist Julie Degnan, of Harveys Lake, and guest professional artist Nikolai Morschakov.

Joining them in major supporting roles will be BNE senior corps soloists Mia Carlson, Kelly Ferrell, T.J. Firreno Jesse Florance, Juliana Gorman, Sara

Lawson, Katharine Marianacci, Dallas; and Mary Kathryn Siejak.

Other corps members who will alternate leaders in the part scene and in the second act's ethnic variations will be Mary Sharon Ciaccia, Harveys Lake; Susan Corletta, Louise Gerstle, Sandrine Gibbons, Megan Ferrell, Jamie Goldstein, Kevin Hettrick, Taylor Kazimi, Lisa Lombardo, Mary Mash, Joy Nave, Dallas; Victoria Rendina, Mikaela Rowe, Grace Shaub, Dallas; Maggie Sullivan, Molly Thornton, Tiffany Usavage, Anna Weiss, Devon Wolfkiel and Brenda Zagar.

Supporting roles include Dallas residents Emily Baranowski, Madison Dewees, Cory Finn and Sarah Stec.

Other dancers in supporting roles are Olivia Andress, Avery Chepolis, Jordyn Chepolis, Mary Therese Ciaccia, Harveys Lake; Hannah Bonk, Shavertown; Danielle Gendler, McKayla Harrison, Trucksville; Chava Kornblatt, Anna Lucas, Karly Milazzo, Shavertown; Anna O'Connell, Harveys Lake; Sarah O'Hara, Alexandra Peck, Alessandra Price, Amanda Ruppert, Molly Thornton, Abigail Quinnan, Shavertown; Amanda Siejak, Sophie Snell, Shavertown; Abby Williams and Emily Williams.

For tickets, at \$20 for adults and \$15 for seniors, students and children, call 287-5802. Tickets will also be available at the door prior to each performance.

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## Public is invited to Open House at BMT Library

The Back Mountain Memorial Library Board of Directors and staff would like to wish their patrons and friends a very happy and joyous holiday season.

The smiles and cheers that people bring to the library throughout the year are one very important reason for the success of the library and, especially at this time of year, those associated with the library thank everyone for their continued patronage and community support.

The public is welcome to attend the library's annual Holiday Open House scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 16, and Friday, Dec. 17.

Patrons are encouraged to take a break from their hectic holiday preparations and stop by for some light refreshments! A display of holiday books will be conveniently located on the front bookcases. Both fiction and non-fiction (holiday recipes, crafts, etc.) books are available to borrow.

Registration for the Winter Storyhours will begin on Tuesday, Jan. 5. Parents may call the library beginning at 9:30 a.m. to register their child.

Anyone interested in displaying their artwork on the library's new "Art Wall" during the upcoming New Year may call the library at 675-1182.

# NO-COST CHRISTMAS

Mystery "Money Men" Form Private Fund To Pay For Christmas For Deserving Families Who Buy A Nicer, Newer Car This Month

MOOSIC - This surprising story of uncommon Holiday giving is just the heartwarming news that many local families are ready to hear.

Simply put, when you buy a car this month from Ertley KIA, **Christmas is covered.**

That's a huge relief for the thousands of local people who want a nicer, newer car right now, but are unsure of how to manage their holiday gift-giving budget at the same time.

Fred Straus is calling this program **No-Cost Christmas** because when you buy a car from Ertley KIA in December, **you won't have to make a payment** on the nicer, newer vehicle you desperately need and really want until after the Holidays, PLUS you'll get up to \$1,500 to use to buy gifts for your family and friends, take a vacation, decorate your house, give back to the community, or whatever else you'd like to do to celebrate the season.

**A New Approach That Saves You Money** "It's all part of my brand new For The People Program," explains Fred Straus. "We've reinvented our entire business to be 100 percent focused on the customer, the people, and their needs and desires. I know that there are people out there right now who want to (or even need) to drive a



Take advantage of the No Cost Christmas Program at Ertley KIA. Make no payments until after the holidays and get up to \$1500 to cover holiday expenses. You could be approved even if you've had back luck in the past. Offer expires when the funds run dry or Dec. 24th. To set a private appointment call 888-782-5231.

had a successful year. Together, they believe they can make a difference nationwide and attract the attention of national news media. They've created a private fund they're calling "The Cringle Fund."

"I realize that all of us run into bad luck eventually. It's just not fair to make some people suffer because they've run into hard times. So we fight every day to help hard working, honest people get approved for the car loans they really need right now. It's all part of our For The People approach to doing business."

nicer vehicle, but are waiting because they're worried about paying for the Holidays."

"So I, along with unnamed business owners around the country, have eliminated that worry by offering to cover the **costs of having a beautiful Christmas so you don't have to choose between one or the other.**"

The reality is that this local car dealer and other business owners around the country have

This offer of a No-Cost Christmas is being made by private business owners in towns across the country... **but only until the Cringle Fund runs dry. Changing The National Perception**

"Some people have misconceptions about car dealers. Some rotten apples have really spoiled it for the bunch, and we've all gotten a bad reputation because of it. I'm working hard to right the wrongs and show people that car dealers and other business

owners can be kind hearted and giving," said Straus.

Interestingly, what most people don't even realize is that local businesses like Ertley KIA are often the engine behind the community's charitable contributions and the private financial support system for local giving.

#### This Offer Is Good Even For People With Credit Problems

Also important to note is the new For The People Credit Approval Program found exclusively at Ertley KIA. This new program ensures that all people, regardless of past credit issues, are treated equal and fairly and get to play on a level playing field.

Straus explained, "I realize that all of us run into bad luck eventually. It's just not fair to make some people suffer because they've run into hard times. So we fight every day to help **hard working, honest people get approved for the car loans they really need right now.** It's all part of our For The People approach to doing business."

#### Not Just For Car Buyers

Even if your family doesn't need a nicer, newer car right now, you should still plan a visit to Ertley KIA this month.

Fred Straus said, "I'm ready to help everybody this month...whether you buy a car or not. We've stocked the store with free safety items for your current vehicle that we're happy to give away just for stopping by and saying hi. So please come by and see us and let us share some of our Holiday spirit with you and give you something to keep you and your family safer."

To accept this uncommon offer, visit Ertley KIA right away. The offer absolutely expires on December 24, but will only last until the Cringle Fund runs dry, which some experts anticipate could happen within the next 3 days.

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- ▶ All customers treated equally despite past credit problems.
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