

# BRING IT ON

A simple formula - one cheerleader, questions and answers.



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## Cheer for the Kids

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**What is Cheer for the Kids?** It is a cheer and dance competition that benefits St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Our goal is to give kids a way to be involved in fundraising and the community, while doing something they are trained to do. This year's event is October 25th at Arlington High School. You can register, donate, and volunteer at [www.cheerforthekids.com](http://www.cheerforthekids.com).

**How much has the event raised?** We gave \$3,000 last year. We are hoping to triple it this year.

**What do you do for a living?** I'm a physical therapist at Rehab, Etc.

**How much cheering experience do you have?** I cheered in junior high and high school. I was on the pom squad at Memphis. I've danced since I was four. I was on the dance team for the arena football Pharaohs, and I danced six years for the Grizzlies.

**Who is your favorite former Grizzlies player?** Stromile Swift.

**Who is your favorite former Pharaohs player?** I definitely couldn't tell you that one.

**What was your most memorable moment with the Pharaohs?** Walking around The Pyramid with real camels.

**Dancing with the Stars or So You Think You Can Dance?** *So You Think You Can Dance.*

**Milk or O.J.?** O.J.

**Mayo or Mustard?** Neither.

**Will you be back at the Forum in 50 years as a member of the Grizzlies Grannies and Grandpas?** Strangely enough, I was the oldest on the team since the very first year. So, the other girls always teased that I would be the first to go straight from the dance team to Grizzlies Grannies. I would do it though. For the fun of it.