

COMPLIMENTS FOR COACHES
2010 NBTA "COACH OF THE YEAR COMPETITION"
BELCHERTOWN H.S., March 7, 2010

Thank you to all twirlers who sent in compliments about their coaches. Be sure to enter your coach's name in the free raffle for coach's prizes, (coach must be in attendance to win). **ONE FREE RAFFLE TICKET PER TWIRLER PLEASE,** located next to food concession.

Coaches Sandy Gozzo, Karen Saucier & Sue Andrews

I first realized that I wanted to twirl a baton when I saw Sue twirling for St. Peter's Drum Corps. Now, 8 years later, I'd like to thank my coaches, Sue, Karen and Sandy for teaching me all the great twirls over the past 8 years.

Elizabeth Boccardi

"Sandy Gozzo is a good baton teacher because she plays twirling games with us to help us remember the names of the different tricks. Sandy is always cheerful and makes me smile."

Phoebe Corey

"Karen Saucier is an amazing teacher. She motivates me to try my best and to practice. In her free time she is always planning new routines, and making and decorating costumes. When I do good at competitions, she gets really excited for me."

Zoey Corey

Coach Tina White

Coach Tina is not only an exceptional coach, but also a close friend to her twirlers and myself. She is a major inspiration and always motivates me to do my best each and every time I pick up a baton.

Mary Tamul

My Coach Tina White is great. She is always supportive and helps me with anything I need. I love Twirling with her.

Jazz Hines

Coaches' Corner

- At conclusion of teams, all coaches will be recognized in the gym. Following introductions, coaches are invited to partake of the special refreshments prepared just for you in the Coaches' Corner (approx. 10:45 am, during modeling portion).
- Be sure to enter your name in the free raffle for two special coaches' baskets to be awarded during the solo portion of the competition.

Coach Esther Lesieur

Esther is such a great coach! I've had so much fun twirling with her. She encourages me to do it, even when I say "I can't." She gives me that boost of courage to say "I can". Also she teaches me how to do tricks, step by step and over and over till I get them right! She has challenged me to do things I didn't think I could do! And for all that I say thank you! Love, Vicky♥

Esther Lesieur is an amazing coach! She has taught me many new things and has been such an inspiration to everyone. You are a great coach. Thank You for everything!

Love Laurissa

Coach Allison Stuart

Allie has been to me what every girl needs. A teacher, coach, mom, mentor, role model and best of all a friend. Just when I think I can't do it she finds a way to make me achieve. Now with so many of us I don't know how she does it but she does and that's why she's so special.

Thanks Allie....I Love You...

Kim Rivera

Miss Allie is the most compassionate twirler I have ever met. She is true to her word and is very understanding. She has helped me a lot through the years and has always been there for me and the team. Miss Allison is an inspiration to me. I love you Allie!

Stephanie Adams

Coach Allie is a great coach. She demands a lot of us but loves us!

Leah Santalis age 9

I love Coach Allie. She is an awesome baton twirler too!

Gabrielle Santalis age 6

My coach is special because she pays attention when we are showing her our routines. She's really nice and she helps me.♥

Bryn Dulitz, Silver Starlites

Allison Stuart is the best coach. She makes us laugh and try the best we can. She inspires me all the time. LOVE YOU ALLIE!!!!!!

Sophie

Coach Colleen Maccini

Mrs. Maccini is special because she makes me feel special at every competition. She takes time to make sure that I am ready and prepared to perform. She works me hard at each private lesson, but makes the lesson fun, so it doesn't feel like I am working hard...I really enjoy having her as my coach.

Allison Nickerson

Coaches Barbara Kupras & Kristi Kupras Ochs

My coaches, Kristi Ochs and Barbara Kupras, always have an encouraging word for the worst routine and the best routine. They make twirling fun!

Megan Senecal

Kristi is a very special coach because she knows my limits and doesn't push me too hard. I love the tricks she teaches me which makes my routine amazing. Kristi is very patient and cares how good I do in competition. And if I don't do good, she helps me do better in my routine by helping me at practice. She makes baton twirling fun.

Meagan Guzik

Barbara Kupras and Kristi Ochs both have great qualities as coaches. They encourage students, help them get through tough parts, and celebrate with achievement. I am grateful to have them as coaches- they have provided us with so many great opportunities and have made my twirling life so much fun!! Thanks! :)

Leah Maio

From the start I have always felt like the luckiest twirler because of all the help Barbara & Kristi have given me. From local competitions, state competitions and regionals and to Nationals and Twirl Mania you have always been there for me and I want to thank you so much for that. There are so many reasons why both of you deserve to be coaches of the year. You inspire me and you push me no matter how my routines turn out. You challenge me and you give me confidence to keep going and never stop. I also want to thank you for having the confidence in me to help teach the new twirlers with both of you. I am having so much fun working with you. The experience that you have given me throughout the years is incredible. I want to thank you so much and I am looking forward to the upcoming future years.

Love Brittani.

Barbara and Kristi,

Thank you for being here for me the past thirteen years!!!! Now I am a senior, going off to college. You both have taught me so many life lesson. Never give up, work hard, how to work on a team, how to resolve conflicts, and competitive skills. Both these coaches make baton twirling fun. They encourage you to do your best. They have worked so hard to make me who I am today!

Thank you so much! Elizabeth Nietupski

Kristi is a fantastic coach! She is lots of fun and works very hard. Kristi helps us with the hard tricks. She uses our strengths to build our confidence, and clearly loves what she does. Kristi is everything a twirler could want in a coach!

Sincerely, Samantha and Olivia Falcone

Coaches Tracey Gangi Johnson & Elaine Kane

Tracey- Can't? Unlike other coaches, Ms. Tracey does not accept the meaning of the word can't. She ensures everyone knows what to do and how to do it. From class time to competitions, she puts all of her effort towards twirling, making sure EVERYONE is having a great time.

Elaine-One word: SMILE:) Ms. Elaine perpetually confirms everyone is having a good time on competition day.

Tracey and Elaine have made twirling with the Bay State Strutters an exciting, memorable, and great experience no one in the GBSS group will ever forget.

Thank you,
Katiey

Miss Tracey is always very positive and encouraging no matter if I am in a lesson, at a competition or practicing with the team. She makes me strive to be my best and no matter what, she is always willing to help me make myself the best I can be. Thank you Miss Tracey for being such a wonderful positive coach.

Kayla

My Coach, Ms Tracey is the best coach ever because she is a good teacher and makes twirling lots of fun. She is always very supportive and gives lots of compliments. She gives good advice and helps create great routines. I am so happy to have a coach like her.

~Amber :)

Coach Tracey,

Thank you for always being there to cheer me on at competitions, tell me I can do something even though I think I can't, having confidence in me, and being the best coach ever! You started teaching me when I was in diapers and have been there for me ever since. Thank you!

~Olivia Kane

Having just recently moved up to the Advanced level, I've been beyond nervous, but Coach Tracey is awesome about instilling confidence and working to help me become a better twirler. She's been my coach for about eleven years now and I can't imagine a more creative and supportive twirling coach. Thank you Tracey!

Alison

Coach Colleen Tighe

Mrs.Tighe is the best coach in the world. Every practice she helps me with new skills and old skills. She encourages me to do my best every day. I could never have made it this far in twirling if it wasn't for Mrs.Tighe.

Kaitlyn Eddy

Simsbury Spinners' Coach Colleen Tighe is always there for us. She's always ready to answer any questions about twirling, and when she does she always gives an excellent explanation. In addition, she is always respectful towards her twirling students and is the most loyal coach that you could imagine. THANK YOU COACH TIGHE!

~Mikayla Bibbins~