

THANK YOU!!

**for helping to make the 3rd Annual N.B.T.A.
“Battle of the Berkshires” Benefit Contest a SUCCESS!**

“The Battle of the Berkshires” ALL TROPHY* benefit contest held in Springfield, MA on November 3, 2002, raised sixteen hundred and eleven dollars for Boston’s Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. *per NBTA rules-medals were awarded for Novice

18 teams & corps and 122 twirlers from Massachusetts, New York, Connecticut, Maine & New Hampshire took to the floor in friendly competition to raise money for the **Jimmy Fund**. The event proved to be an excellent warm-up contest for the New York and Massachusetts State Contests with a practice gym connected to the main gym.

The highlight of the day was a twirl-off of all first place solo winners in the Advanced, Intermediate, Beginner, Novice levels for the **2002 Battle of the Berkshires Twirl-Off** trophies. The twirl-off champions of the day were:

- **Alyssa Kane – advanced**
- **Leah Hochler – intermediate**
- **Meahan Lech – beginner**
- **Krystle MacNeil – novice**

NBTA judges who volunteered their services were:

- **Melissa Barnett**
- **Barbara Kupras**
- **Carolyn Letteney**
- **Esther Lesieur**
- **Nancy Locke**
- **Barbara Paine**

Awards were donated by:

- **Melissa Barnett**
- **Stephanie Bottum**
- **Jennifer Eby**
- **Elaine, Diane & Tracey Gangi**
- **Alyssa Kane**
- **Kristi Kupras**
- **Nancy Locke**
- **Leah Maio**
- **Erika Munson**
- **Elizabeth Nietupski**
- **Stacy Rolfe**
- **Davin & Brandi White**

We would like to thank those who volunteered, all participants, and the teachers who supported this contest so early in their twirling season:

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Sincerely,

Tracey Gangi and Elaine Kane, Co-Directors