

ROCKOLA TWIRLERS ORGANIZATION

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Rockola Twirlers - 50's theme
Baton Group in Lake County

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INTRODUCTION: Michelle Moyer
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Experience:

Certified Instructor and Judge
28yrs. Rockola Twirlers Instructor
19 yrs. active twirler and member of twirling organizations
32 yrs. instructing groups of 5-6 yr beginners
33 yrs. private instruction to 4-12 yr twirlers

Origination:

The decade of the fifties is the theme of the group. Rockola is a popular fifties-style jukebox. The uniforms and music reflect the era and the twirlers march in parades to the nostalgic rhythms coming from a 1948 panel truck.

Values and Beliefs:

I believe that baton is a truly enjoyable and rewarding hobby and sport. Young twirlers have a chance to develop spatial awareness, fine motor skills, coordination, flexibility, ambidexterity, stamina, rhythm, and body strength. Twirlers also benefit from the life skills that the sport of baton twirling teaches such as sportsmanship, teamwork, time management, goal-setting skills, self-confidence, positive self-esteem and commitment. Twirlers learn to deal with pressure and appreciate the rewards of determination and dedication. These skills support them throughout their lives.

It takes a lot of practice, but the final outcome of all the work put in is worth it. The parades and competitions are fun for the twirlers because they have a chance to show off in their fancy uniforms, strutting their stuff.

I always stress the fun of the sport. Competitions are challenging, but the fact that the twirlers performed their personal best is something to strive for and be proud of.

ACTIVITIES:

Parades- typically ~ 2-3 per year
Memorial Day, Headlands Fourth of July, Willoughby Last Stop, Better in Mentor

Competitions- Competition season begins in the fall and ends in spring (usually 3-4/yr). (Eastlake, Wickliffe)
Contests are on selected Saturdays or Sundays from 8am - 3pm.
Optional Contests for travelling. (Napoleon, Ontario, Parkersburg)

Activities - past activities have included: Bring a Friend Night
Picnics, Holiday Banquets, Glamour Day, Gym Day

Performances - Cityfest, Great Lakes Mall, spring Recital

UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT:

For Parade Corp. - for initial parades, twirlers will wear Rockola t-shirt (\$21) and black shorts.

Later Performances/next year-Black Poodle Skirts and Logo Shirts
Twirlers will need all-white canvas or leather tennis shoes

Parade Uniform: Skirt & Shirt = \$66 (adult), \$64 (child)

Contest Uniform: Voted on by team members (\$25 - \$55)

For practices: Comfortable clothes: sweats or shorts
tennis shoes (No big soles)
no jewelry
hair must be pulled back and out of the way

Equipment: Baton - length of under arm to beyond fingertips
Arrowhead Music & Phabes Music sell batons
Michelle can order a baton (\$22)

PRACTICES:

Half-hour beginner group lessons.

Lost Nation Sports Park - 38630 Jet Center Drive (near Lost Nation Airport) during the school year

Mentor Beach Park - 7779 Lakeshore Blvd. (Mentor on the Lake) in the summer

FEES:

\$20.00 **Registration Fee** / twirler - due before 1st class

(non-refundable, insures twirler a place in class for 1 year)

Regular Dues - \$30/month - prepaid on first Tuesday of month

\$5 Late charge and \$2 each week past due date.

Major price discounts for siblings (half price for sibling)

Checks payable to Rockola Twirlers