

In honor of Alana D. Reams and her love for twirling, the seventh annual "Alana Reams Memorial Award" will be given out at the Valentine Fiesta competition on February 9, 2019 in Mount Vernon, Ohio. Alana twirled for 8 years, competing as a soloist, and twirling with the Freedom Twirlers Baton Corps.

Alana had an impeccable memory and managed to juggle a slew of routines. She was a natural leader and loved to perform. Always in the front, the Freedom Twirlers depended on her for her leadership.

Alana's body language spoke volumes about her personality. She was spunky, graceful, and beautiful. Many of you may remember Alana for her tiny size. She never let that stop her! We learned from Alana that size doesn't matter when you have a big personality! She was a fun, outgoing, enthusiastic, friendly, smart, and very talented young lady whom we miss every day.

On February 11, 2012 Alana twirled in her last competition at the Valentine Fiesta contest in Mount Vernon. Sadly, we lost Alana on February 19, 2012 after a tragic accident. Not a day goes by that we do not think of her.

Since Alana last competed as a Level 2 solo twirler, the first place winners in each of the Level 2 (Novice) solo divisions will be invited to participate in a special twirl-off for the "Alana Reams Memorial Award". The recipient will be recognized for her qualities in twirling similar to those exemplified by Alana: memory, charisma, skill, personality, posture, facial expression, grace, and passion.