

New York State Organization Mother of Twins Club
Saturday General Meeting Minutes – May 4, 2013
Sheraton at the Falls, Niagara Falls, New York

President Mary Grace Roach called the 48th Annual NYSOMOTC 2013 Saturday General Meeting to order at 8:24 AM.

Chaplain Nita Landes gave the Opening Reflection.

President Mary Grace Roach welcomed the membership to the 2013 State Meeting.

2013 Co-Chairs Sharon Atti and **Sharon Wetzel** of MOTC Buffalo welcomed everyone and initiated the Opening Ceremonies by introducing the Boy Scout Troup 104 and Cub Scout Pack 104 from St. John the Baptist Parish, Kenmore, who presented the Colors and Pledge of Allegiance.

2013 State Meeting Chairman Sharon Atti recognized and thanked the hosting committee for their efforts with the booklets and hospitality. She reminded the membership to complete and return the Evaluation Form; keep the ticket which is good for a raffle for a \$25 gift card to Carrabbas Restaurant. The drop-in box for the forms will be in this room tonight and at the check out desk in the morning. **Sharon Wetzel** talked about the Door Sign Contest and complimented the participants for their creativity.

MOTC Buffalo thanked and presented a gift to each of the State Meeting Co-Chairs.

President Mary Grace Roach introduced **Pam Krell, NOMOTC'S President**, as our Guest Speaker.

President Mary Grace Roach introduced the members of the **Executive Board** and **Past Presidents**.

Minutes Approval Committee: President Mary Grace Roach appointed **Myriam Lavora** and **Shirley Savage**.

Recording Secretary Barbi Cudney called the Roll.

Present: **President Mary Grace Roach** (Nassau County MOTC), **Vice President Lorena Cutt** (Greater Rochester MOTC), **Recording Secretary Barbi Cudney** (Genesee Country MOTC), **Treasurer Lori Connolly** (Greater Rochester MOTC), **Advisor Glenda Chappell** (TNT of CNY), **Parliamentarian Michele Camilleri** (MOTC Queens)

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Appointment of Tellers: President Mary Grace Roach appointed the following:

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| 1. Dawn McDonald (MOTC Buffalo) | 2. Debby Barton (Westside Sub. MOTC) |
| 3. Rosemarie Stevens ((So. Tier MOTC) | 4. Susan Venditti (POM of CNY) |

Appointment of Pages: President Mary Grace Roach appointed the following:

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| 1. Francie Marczek | 2. Cindy Parker |
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Parliamentarian: Delegates' Report/ Voting Procedures: Michele Camilleri. Total clubs represented: 15, Total votes: 63 Delegates 45, Officers 6 Past Presidents 12, Majority 32, 2/3 42. The Voting Protocol was reviewed.

President Mary Grace Roach gave her report; attached.

Vice President Lorena Cutt stated that 19 Member Clubs renewed this year. Report attached.

President Mary Grace Roach announced several changes to the Meeting's Agenda.

Recording Secretary Barbi Cudney asked for corrections for the 4-28-2012 Saturday General Meeting Minutes. **President Mary Grace Roach stated: "If, there are no objections, I, President Mary Grace Roach will accept the Saturday General Meeting Minutes of 4-28-12 as presented this day, May 4, 2013".** There were no objections; minutes accepted. Gaveled.

Treasurer Lori Connolly gave her report; attached.

Audit Committee: Kathy Brousseau reported on behalf of the Committee, that the financial records for the General Fund and the Eleanor Siegel Fund were in order.

President Mary Grace Roach accepted the Audit Committee's reports by Unanimous Consent. There were no objections; gaveled.

Marie Simmons Scholarship Treasurer Kathlene Lyman gave her report; attached.

Parliamentarian Michele Camilleri presented the following amendments to the Bylaws:

Article VII Standing Committee Chairmen, Section 2: Add: Letter U. Ways & Means
a. Committee

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Procedural Guidelines/Application of the Marie Simmons Scholarship: Amend to read: These awards, offered annually on a competitive basis, are currently \$1500 each.

Amendments voted by the Delegates; all passed.

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President Mary Grace Roach announced a break from 9:26 A.M. to 9:31 AM to discuss the Recording Secretary position.

President Mary Grace Roach resumed the meeting at 9:32 A.M.
There were no nominations from the floor. Discussions ensued among the groups.

Nominating Chairman Lisa Cartini introduced and thanked her Committee members. The nominations for the Officers were announced: **Lorena Cutt-Vice President**; she declined. **Shirley Savage** nominated **Lorena Cutt** for Recording Secretary; she accepted. **Lori Connolly-Treasurer**, she accepted. **Shirley Savage** nominated **Kathy Brousseau** for Vice President; she accepted. **Mary Grace Roach** – President.

Nominating Chairman Lisa Cartini presented the single Slate of Officers and each introduced themselves.

Recording Secretary Barbi Cudney: I, Barbi Cudney, as Recording Secretary for the New York State Organization of Mothers of Twins Clubs, and on behalf of its membership, cast one
Vote for the slate of Officers as presented.”

Nominations for **Nomination Chairman:** **Ruth Barone** nominated **Lisa Cartini** and **Theresa Koubek** nominated **Judy Tannenbaum** for the position. Both nominations were accepted. Candidates introduced themselves.

Parliamentarian Michele Camilleri announced that **Lisa Cartini** was elected Nominating Chairman.

Nominations for Committee Members: **Colleen O'Connell (Westside Suburban MOTC)**, **Joanne Czajkowski (TNT of CNY)**, **Natalie Diaz (Manhattan MOTC)**, **Holly Litz (POM of CNY)**, **Doreen Greci (MOTC Suffolk)**, **Judy Tannenbaum (Nassau County MOTC)**,
Candidates accepted and introduced themselves to the membership.

President Mary Grace Roach announced a 5 minute break for discussion on nominations from 10 A.M. to 10:05 A.M. The meeting resumed at 10:05 A.M.

President Mary Grace Roach announced a change in the appointment of Tellers. **Debby Barton**, **Susan Venditti** and **Rosemarie Stevens** had to step down. Tellers are now **Deborah Miller (MOTC Buffalo)**, **Pam Reussow (Greater Rochester MOTC)**, **Dawn McDonald (MOTC Buffalo)** and **Laura Alrich (MOTC Suffolk)**.

Rosemarie Stevens replaced **Janet Hranek** as delegate for Southern Tier MOTC.

President Mary Grace Roach announced a 10 minute break from 10:20 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.

Recording Secretary Barbi Cudney called the Roll.

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Parliamentarian Michele Camilleri gave the Delegates' report: Total clubs represented: 15, Total votes: 63, Delegates 45, Officers 6, Past Presidents 12 Majority 32 2/3 42, Delegates were instructed to vote for the 4 Nominating Committee members; ballots were collected by the Tellers.

Scrapbook Page Contest: **Chairman Linda Gettings** gave her report; attached and announced the winners: **1st place – MOTC Buffalo; 2nd place –Westside Suburban MOTC; 3rd place MOTC Suffolk.**

Research/Twin Data Registry: **Chairman Lindsay Corrigan** presented her report; attached.

Ruth Barone gave her report for the Newsletter Contest.

Entries were: **Small: Westside Suburban MOTC**
 Medium: MOTC Queens and MOTC Suffolk County
 X-Large: Nassau County MOTC

The winners were: **Small: Westside Suburban MOTC**
 Medium: 1st place - MOTC Queens and 2nd place – MOTC Suffolk
 X-Large: Nassau County MOTC, First prize.

Parliamentarian Michele Camilleri announced the election results for the Nominating Committee:: **Doreen Greci**, **Colleen O'Connell**, **Joanne Czajkowski** and **Holly Litz**.

MSS Fundraiser – MSS Treasurer/Vice Chairman Kathy Lyman presented the report on



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behalf of Holly Shear (absent). 105 scratch-off tickets were donated. 3 sets of 35 tickets were raffled. All calendar dates were sold. The calendar date selected was March 7; Linda Gettings was the sole winner. Report attached.

The Memorial Service was conducted at 11:15 A.M. by **Chaplain Nita Landes**.

President Mary Grace Roach announced a break at 11:25 A.M.; lunch to follow at noon. The afternoon session resumes at 1:45 P.M. Reminder to the membership to sign the "Thinking of You" book for Jeanne Washburn, who could not attend due to a sudden loss of her vision.

President Mary Grace Roach resumed the meeting at 1:59 P.M.

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President Mary Grace Roach introduced **NOMOTC President Pam Krell** who spoke on various topics including the upcoming convention in Phoenix, AZ and the Webinars on the "rebranding" process. 2 First Time Attendees won a raffle (Twins to Quints) as a gift from Pam.

Marie Simmons Scholarship Chairman Linda Goldsworthy gave her report (attached) and announced the Scholarship Recipients: Samantha Kelley (Daughter of POM of CNY member) and Dakota Bassett (Son of Patty Bassett, CV MOTC). The winners of the Lottery Raffles were Holly Litz, Lisa Cartini, and Anita Roach.

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Vice President Lorena Cutt presented Myriam Lavora with the Super State Rep. Award.

Scrapbook Page Contest – The Members Choice Winners: Greater Rochester MOTC, MOTC Queens, and MOTC Suffolk.

Membership Pins Pam Reussow gave her report. Congratulations to the following members who received pins:

5 Year Pin:

Mary Grace Roach, Nassau County MOTC Lindsay Corrigan, Greater Rochester MOTC

10 Year Pin:

Paula Goetzman	MOTC Buffalo	Dawn McDonald	MOTC Buffalo
Elyse Ne Moyer	MOTC Buffalo	Diana Donovan –Campisi,	MOTC Suffolk

15 Year Pin:

Ellen Boldt	MOTC Buffalo	Janet O'Connor	MOTC Queens
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20 Year Pin:

Sharon Atti	MOTC Buffalo	Susan Venditti	POM of CNY
Nancy Cootware	POM of CNY	Rosemarie Stevens	Southern Tier MOTC
Anita Roach	Westside Suburban MOTC		

25 Year Pin:

Ruth Barone	Greater Rochester MOTC	Glenda Chappell	TNT of CNY
Vikki Quinn	Westside Suburban MOTC	Marie Vito	MOTC Buffalo

30 Year Pin:

Sharon Wetzel MOTC Buffalo

35 Year Pin

Rose Pilato MOTC Buffalo

40 Year Pin:

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Midterm Board Meeting Chairman Karen Nichols gave her report; meeting date is October 19th at the Owego Treadway Inn. **Shirley Savage** will be the new Chairman. Report attached.

TNT of CNY for the 2015 Convention in Syracuse, NY. Details will follow. **Nancy Converse** and **Linda Redmond** will co-chair this State Meeting. **Barbi Cudney, Recording Secretary:** "I, Barbi Cudney, as Recording Secretary for the New York State Organization Mother of Twins Clubs, and on behalf of it' membership, cast one vote to accept this bid for the 2015 State Meeting from TNT of CNY in Syracuse, NY."

Genesee Country MOTC and Westside Suburban MOTC presented their skit for the 2014 State Meeting, "The Disney Dream of 2014". **Debby Barton, Co-Chairman**, made the following Motion: "I, Debby Barton, a member of the Westside Suburban MOTC at this NYSOMOTC Annual State Meeting move that we change the date of the 2014 State Meeting from the last Saturday in April as required by Article 1x State Meeting Section 1 time to the first



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1 **Saturday in May (May 1,2,3, and 4) of 2014.”** Seconded by Judy Tannenbaum. Motion
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4 .It was announced that **Cindy Sanger** of Westside Suburban MOTC won the 2014 Room Raffle.

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6 **Door Sign Contest Prizes** were presented. **Pam Reussow**, (Room 413) was the Members’
7 Choice winner.

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9 **State/National Liaison Mary Lou Surmik** gave her report on National Conventions; attached.

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11 **Old Business:**

12 None

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14 **The Nominating Chairman Lisa Cartini** conducted the Installation Ceremony of the 2013-
15 **2014 Officers:** President Mary Grace Roach, Vice President Kathy Brousseau,
16 **Treasurer, Lori Connolly, and Lorena Cutt, Recording Secretary.**

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19 Final words and announcements were made by **President Mary Grace Roach:** Group photos
20 were taken. by the **State Photographer, Michele Szatkowski.**

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22 The Closing Reflection was given by **Chaplain Nita Landes.**

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24 **The 2013 Saturday General Meeting was adjourned at 4:17 PM by President Mary Grace**
25 **Roach.**

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29 **Barbi Cudney,**
30 **Recording Secretary**

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33 **Myriam Lavora,**
34 **Minutes Approval**

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37 **Shirley Savage,**
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