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MARCH 2019

1 ~ 2019 State Meeting Registration due; Agenda items due to President; Credentials due to Parliamentarian; Club Scrapbook Entry forms due to Chairman; Nominating Chairman to mail Slate of Officers to the Parliamentarian, President, and Advisor and send letter to Nominees

12~ March/April Presidential Papers distributed

15~ MSS Calendar Packet and monies due to MSS Fundraiser Chairman

26~ MSS fundraiser Chairman sends calendar money to MSS Treasurer; Year-end vouchers due to President; State Meeting Registration/Attendance list is sent to Parliamentarian, President, and Membership Pins Chairman

APRIL 2019

1~ Executive Board member reports due to webmaster; year-end vouchers due to President; Certificate names to Calligraphy; prepare displays for MOM's information Room; Clubs pre- pare for contests and Chinese Auction Basket; Clubs interested in hosting 2020 State Meeting, notify President, and prepare a presentation for 2019 Saturday General Meeting.

10~ President sends year end vouchers to Treasurer

14~ Treasurer's books closed for year-end audit; Treasurer prepares 990 form for filing

MAY 2019

3-5~ 2019 State Meeting

9~ Newsletter Articles due to editor

president's letter

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Happy almost Spring!!!

I am not a fan of the winter months. It gets dark way too early, it's sometimes really, really cold and sometimes in the winter, there's that "s" word.... you know.... "snow". I like snow.... but only on the weekends and once it falls on the ground, it disappears the next day ☺ I know that a lot of you upstate have been hammered with the "s" word - I hope that all of you are OK. Downstate on Long Island, we have been lucky to not have too much here this year and I hope it stays that way. While I'm looking forward to warmer weather, that means allergy season will be in full swing and my Christopher will be miserable because he is allergic to tree pollen. But.... on the bright side of it all is that it will be lighter later in the day and I'll actually be able to see the sun again when I leave work every day ☺

Our 2019 State Meeting is around the corner! Although it's after March 1st to get your Registration forms in for Convention, you are more than welcome to still register and pay the \$10 late fee. I'm looking forward to this year's meeting and I'm hoping to see a lot of new faces! I know that from my club (MOTC Suffolk) we have 5 first time attendees this year -it's really awesome! If you haven't been to Convention yet.... you are missing out! It's a great way to learn how our wonderful organization runs...plus you get to meet and spend time with MoMs from all over the NYS! What could be better than that?!?! Please consider attending, you won't regret it! Your State Rep will have a copy of Third Call or you can find it on our website.

I want to thank all of you for giving me the opportunity to be your President this past year. I have one more year left to my term and I'm looking forward to it ☺

Hope to see all of you in May!!

Sincerely,

Susie Smith, President

vice president's report

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Isn't it great to see the days finally getting longer. The sun is still shining at 6:00. It just lifts our spirits and fills us with energy and hope. It also makes us realize we have made it through another NY winter and spring is upon us which means it's time to pack your bags and head to the Saratoga Scene! Now that the deadlines have passed it's time to make sure the rest of your duties are getting done. You signed up for the Scrapbook Page contest, are you working on it? You signed up for Show and Sell, do you have your goodies to sell to us eager shoppers? One other thing I ask you is to help any 1st timers that are coming. Make sure they know that they need to register and where to register. Explain to them what Show and Sell is and explain to them what kinds of things they will find there. Remind them to bring pictures for the Door Sign contest and most importantly explain to them the importance of the General Meeting on Saturday. Let them know about the business that will be conducted as well as the fun that will go along with it as we hear about 2020, who won what contest and who our scholarship winners are. We don't want anyone to miss anything while they are there because after all a future NYSOMOTC President could be in the group of 1st timers!

So now all I have to say to you is to go pack your bags because the Saratoga Scene is almost here!!

executive board letter

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Greetings ladies of the Executive Board!!

Spring is almost here!! I think that for most of you that live upstate, you are probably looking forward to the warmer weather and the "s" word to go away 😊 I'm really just looking forward to getting out of work while it's still light out 😊

With Convention just around the corner, clubs as well as Executive Board members should all be getting ready for a great weekend. As a reminder, each club is to bring two raffle baskets in addition to the Ways and Means basket assigned to your club and each Executive Board Member is to bring one raffle basket for the Chinese Auction. I'm looking forward to seeing all the great baskets that will be in the room. Each club has a shift on Friday to cover the Hospitality Room. Please be sure to contact Kathy Brousseau or Kathy Lyman if you are unsure of your timeslot and let them know what you plan to bring.

With the end of the year here, please be sure to submit your year-end reports to Michele Szatkowski by April 1st. Any vouchers that need to be paid should be sent to me as soon as possible. Please be sure to check the deadlines listed in the Calendar of Events.

I'm hoping that the newly formed committees this year – the Electronic Banking and Remembrance Committees are making some progress with their feedback. Thank you to those who volunteered for these committees!

See you all in Saratoga!!

Susie Smith, President

as the turtle goes...

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- ♣ *Chemung ladies are hard at work planning a great luncheon for us in Saratoga and they are selling their calendar dates*
- ♣ *Schenectady Ladies miss having Erin around, but they too are hard at work with all the final preparations for our Saratoga Scene*
- ♣ *POM of CNY has completed their registrations and are working on their ideas for the Chinese Auction Baskets.*
- ♣ *Westside Suburban Moms held its Annual Sweetheart Raffle. the lucky winner won a bottle of wine, gift card for flowers and a box of chocolates. They are also planning a children's event during the February break possibly "sledding" themed.*
- ♣ *Suffolk ladies held a Super Bowl Raffle, and everyone bought squares.*

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Spring is almost here and getting closer to convention! Please have any vouchers sent to the President by April 1st so that she can send them on to me so I can close the books by April 14th.

Thank you,

Michele

General Fund

December 10, 2018 – February 10, 2019

OPENING BALANCE *\$7195.21*

<i>Item</i>	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expenses</i>
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TOTAL INCOME *\$0*

St. Jude's – In memory of Alice Brewster *\$ 50.00*

TOTAL EXPENSES *\$ 50.00*

CLOSING BALANCE *\$ 7145.21*

Eleanor Siegel Fund

December 10, 2018 – February 10, 2019

Opening Balance *\$ 530.43*

<i>Item</i>	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expenses</i>
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TOTAL INCOME *\$ 00*

TOTAL EXPENSES *\$ 00*

CLOSING BALANCE *\$ 530.43*

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Need a form? Need information about a meeting?? Need minutes or the newsletter??? Click on into our website to find everything you need!!! nysomotc.org

Please have all end of the year reports to me by April 14th so that I can get them all put into the power point for convention.

Thank you,

Michele

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The plan this year is to attend the Quality Inn and Suites again for Midterm. Details are still being worked out and more information will be in the May/June newsletter along with the registration form.

Midterm will be Saturday, October 19, 2019. Registration will be \$40.00 which will be due October 1st. There is a \$10 late fee if mailed after October 1st. Room reservations will again need to be made by September 1st. Reservations for rooms will not be ready to be made to the hotel until after convention and please do not send any registration money until after Convention.

Thank you,

Michele and Shirley

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Procedure Manual:

The 2018-19 revisions will be distributed to the six Officers and the Archivist at the Sunday Executive Board Meeting. The board members may access the updated manual on line.

A file with the current revisions is emailed upon request, to those board members who maintain their manual. The manual is also available for the member clubs on the website - nysomotc.org; link to: Club Members, password: OneDream

The 2019 State Rep Packet will be posted on the website and forwarded by email attachment to the member club's State Representative, following the state meeting. The packet contains the annual dues forms and other relevant information for the clubs.

Board Members: *Bring the files & badge to the State Meeting. If you are not attending, please inform President Susie Smith to arrange the speedy return of any state materials in your possession. Thank you!*

Question/concerns - don't hesitate to contact me.

"Spring passes and one remembers one's innocence. Summer passes and one remembers one's exuberance. Autumn passes, and one remembers one's reverence. Winter passes, and one remembers one's perseverance."

— Yoko Ono

Soon it will be Spring in beautiful Saratoga!

Myriam Lavora

Happy
St. Patrick's
Day



mss chairman report

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Hello everyone,

As I write this newsletter article, the deadline for submission for the Marie Simmons Scholarship is quickly approaching.

The MSS Committee met on February 5th for the first time, virtually via WebEx and teleconference. Everyone was able to join the teleconference and Cathy Renko was tech savvy enough to log into the WebEx and video conference.

We will have some recommendations for minor changes to the Procedure Manual to be presented at the Friday Executive Board Meeting.

On behalf of the MSS Committee, we look forward to reviewing all the applicants and awarding 2 scholarships at the convention in May.

I leave this Checklist for Eligibility here for those of you who may want to pass it on to your students for next year.

Checklist for Eligibility

- 1. An unmarried offspring who lives at home with their parent or legal guardian. The parent or legal guardian must currently reside in New York State and has for the last five years.*
- 2. Applicant must be a high school graduate or equivalent and completed at least one term of post-secondary education. A GPA of 2.50 or higher is required.*
- 3. Attached application must be completed and returned.*
- 4. A complete personal resume is required. It should include all work history, education, plus involvement in any extracurricular activities, clubs, civic or community service.*
- 5. At least two letters of recommendation that state the strengths and character of the applicant. The name, address, and phone number of the person writing the recommendation, as well as, the nature of the relationship and the length of time the applicant is known by said individual must be included.*
- 6. Official sealed copies of academic transcripts from High School, College, or other accredited educational institutions attended. If the Applicant is a college Junior, Senior or Post Graduate, the High School Transcript is not needed.*
- 7. Applicant must submit a 250-400-word essay. The title must be "How Higher Education Will Affect My Future." The essay must be typewritten, double-spaced and printed on white paper only.*
- 8. Copies of Birth Certificates for the applicant and the multiple birth children (to verify multiple birth family status).*
- 9. All documents need not be sent at the same time but must be postmarked no later than February 20th. In the lower left-hand corner of all envelopes it must be written, "To be opened by the MSS Chairman only."*

All required documents will need to be to me by February 20, 2019

On behalf of myself and the MSS Committee, thank you.

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*Marie Simmons Scholarship Fund: Midterm Financial Report
Treasurer/Vice Chairman – Kathlene Lyman
October 21, 2018 – February 06, 2019*

Opening Balance: *\$5,994.21*

Income:

Donations: *\$160*

Total Income: *\$160*

Expenses:

Total Expenses: *\$ 0*

Closing Balance: *\$6,154.21*

Respectfully submitted,

Kathlene Lyman, MSSC Treasurer/Vice Chairman

Report:

Hello Ladies,

It is my pleasure to serve on this committee. As always, I am proud of its mission.

Thank you notes have been sent for all donations.

I participated in a WebEx meeting with the scholarship committee as we prepare to award two scholarships in 2019. Nancy Converse is handling the MSSF fundraisers and I encourage all to support these fundraisers.

There is a special line on the Saratoga Scene in 2019 registration form for you to make a donation to the scholarship fund, if you so choose.

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It is a cold winter day here in upstate New York. I am hoping for spring and warm weather soon. Then it is time think about convention. Time to think about the important fundraiser for the MSS Scholarship fund. This is important for our children. This is the only way we can keep the Scholarship program going for our kids.

Just a reminder for all State Reps to be selling MSS Calendar dates and collecting Lottery Tickets. Calendar dates are \$2.00 each. The winner(s) will be drawn at the Saturday general meeting at convention. The winner(s) do not need to be present at convention. The dates can be sold to club members, friends, and family.

Please ask each club member to donate Lottery tickets for the Lottery ticket basket raffle. The winner all be drawn at the Saturday general meeting. Please return the Calendar and Lottery tickets and money to me by March 15,2019. May sure the club check be made out to "MSS Scholarship Fund" not to me. I have a couple extra raffles to use.

If you know if any of your club members knit, make things or make crafts And would like to donate something for an extra raffle, please let me know. I am hoping that we can make enough money to pay for at least one of the Scholarships. If you have any questions, please let me know.

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Hi everyone,

You all have been in my thoughts for this terrible, cold, snowy winter you have been having. I hope it warms up soon for you.

Something different this month..... I am going back to 2014 and 2015 to when Pam Reussow was Librarian. I looked up some of her books. Some I could not find. One is in its 4th reprint with updated information. This one I will report on first. As I am sure it has been a big problem for some.

*1) **Healthy Sleep Habits, Healthy Twins** - Marc Weissbluth M.D. This book will be a great guide to help get your babies or singleton to sleep. It deals with schedules, crying, naps and so much more. These methods have been tested and work.*

*2) How about reading some light stories written from moms of multiples? How about reading **Magical Multiple Moments**. I am not sure of the author, but I think it also deals with triplets and more.*

*3) **The Available Parent** by Dr. John Duffy M.D. Make conflicts become minimized and have satisfactory relations that you can build with your teens with this book. You will all learn to enjoy each other's company. A teenager needs to be a priority, especially these days.*

These books can be found on line. Purchase used books for around \$3.00. Keep warm.

RAFFLES FOR CONVENTION

linda redmond TNT of CNY

Just a friendly reminder to all clubs and Board members. Each Board member is responsible for bringing one raffle basket and each Club is responsible for bringing two raffle baskets to the State Meeting. Please try to have them there by Friday morning if possible. If you are not coming in until later then maybe you could send them with another member who might be coming in earlier. Thanks so much for your cooperation.

*Linda Redmond
TNT of CNY*



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Winter is finally here!! I hope you are staying warm and safe. Before we know it, the 2019 Convention will be here and I'm very excited to see everyone again. As you know, our Elected Officers will be starting their second-year term at Convention. However, we still need a resume on file from all elected officials. All other Executive Board positions will be open. If you would like to continue with your position, or are thinking about holding an Executive Board position, please fill out the attached resume so we have it on file. Please fill out the resume and either email it or mail it to me. As always, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me and I'm looking forward to seeing you in May!!!

Submitted by,

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Nominating Chairman





Sweetheart Raffle winner, Marlene Terrana, of WSSMOTC

