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Just a Reminder...
MAY 2021

4~ Newsletter articles due to the Editor

11~May/June Presidential Papers distributed (including 2022 State Meeting Update; Board

11 ~members year end reports; Updated Executive Board Directory and Calendar of Events; Midterm Board Meeting Information)

**JUNE 2021** 

1~ Clubs' dues and Statistics forms due to Vice President

8~ Newsletter articles due to the Editor

**JULY 2021** 

13~ July/August Presidential Papers distributed

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- > September/ October
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- > January/ February
- March/ April

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What an amazing weekend we just experienced. NYSOMOTC's 1st (and hopefully last) Virtual Convention. The officers did an amazing job pulling it all together. They did their best for us to feel as if we were together. One aspect included having elections and a lovely Installation Ceremony. Which brings me to introduce myself as your new President. If you don't know me, my name is Lisa Cartini and I am a member of Parents of Multiples of Central New York. My fraternal girls, Halie and Hollie, are 24 years old. I've been married to my husband Jay for 26 years I joined POM when they were newborns. It was probably 1 of the best decisions I have ever made. I have held many positions in my local club as well as at the State level. I have been Photographer, Nominating Committee, Nominating Chairman, State Meeting Co Chair and most recently Vice President.

This convention was my 21st and I look forward to so many more. I really treasurer the friendships I have made with the ladies I see from around the state. While it has been hard to not attend in person, I know the hugs when we gather again will be that much tighter. Thank you for this opportunity. I am honored to follow in the footsteps of our previous Past Presidents.

Twincerely, Lisa Cartini



### Hello Ladies of our Executive Board

I can't believe the State Meeting of 2021 is already in the books for us. It certainly was a great weekend. I congratulate and Thank our officers who did such an amazing job pulling it all together. It did feel as though we were there together and did have some sense of a normal convention. The background contest was great, the scavenger hunt was fun, Did someone say Pop Up Raffle??? I also can't wait to get our discs from Westside Suburban. Thank you Ladies!

I'm happy to welcome some new members to this board. Becoming more involved in this organization is how we grow. Change is important to our organization because with change comes new ideas. I am looking forward to hearing new ideas from all of you. I know some ladies had to step away from their positions, please know you will be missed and I thank you for all you have done to help this organization grow.

If anyone has any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out. I look forward to this new chapter and working with all of you

Thank you again for your confidence

Lisa Cartini, President



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What a wonderful State Meeting we just held, via Zoom. It was well attended and ran very smoothly, thanks to the NYSOMOTC Officers; kudos to Past President Susie Smith for orchestrating this massive endeavor with much success.

If you do not know me, I am Barbi Cudney, your new Vice President, and happy to be in this position. Currently I am a member of the Westside Suburban MOTC; a great group of ladies who thoroughly enjoy our "multiples" connection and events. Prior to that I belonged to the Genesee Country MOTC, until it disbanded. Throughout my "tenure" in this organization, I have been active in a variety of positions at the local level as secretary, treasurer, and on various committees. At the state level on the executive board, I have chaired Twin Data Registry, Scrapbook Registry, Chaplain, Secretary, Nominating Committee, Marie Simmons Scholarship committee, and others. All have been very fulfilling and satisfying. Thank you for support and confidence you have placed in me, for this office. I am thrilled to be serving in this capacity; President Lisa Cartini and I have communicated our happiness to be working together. My goal is to work with all clubs, and encourage those non-member clubs to join State. I look forward to reading and learning all about the intricacies of all the member clubs. Your activities are of great importance to me and I will enjoy working with you.

I am happy to be reading your newsletters and report. Please stay safe and enjoy this warm weather.

Respectfully submitted, Barbi Cudney



- The Nassau County POM has been busy: in April they held a general meeting (Zoom) on Family Nutrition hosted by a registered dietitian. Topics included strategies for transitioning infants to eating solids and dealing with picky eaters. Also 3 news members were welcomed into their club. A Book Coffee Club meeting was held.
- Moms Night In was a huge success for MOTC Suffolk. Pj's and snacks were enjoyed. Girl Time was held at the Hammer and Stein, which provided much needed laughter. Fundraisers included a Spring Garden fundraiser and a Gift Card fundraiser. 7 Children's' socials were planned as well as 7 adult socials. A Toy Drive to benefit Kids Need More was also held.
- POM of CNY stayed at the Embassy Suites during the State Meeting; a banquet on May 14<sup>th</sup> is planned there as well.
- A Spring Appreciation Tea is planned for the Westside Suburban Members, to show their appreciation for people in their lives who are important to them. Fundraisers included a Spring Flower Power fundraiser as well as a football and sweetheart raffles.

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Happy Spring! Thankfully, it is almost summer! We will make it to the sunshiny days!

I am so happy to serve as treasurer again. This is my second time serving in this position. I am an avid numbers person! I actually do love to work with accounting things! Love keeping my checkbook up to date and accurate to the penny! I am also office manager/bookkeeper for a dance studio. A Little bit harder than my checkbook .....but worth the challenge! Many kudos to Michele Szatkowski for doing a great job over the past 3 years!

Here is the proposed budget for the 2021-2022 year:

**Budget** 2021-2022

**Income Proposed Actual** 

Chinese Auction/Ways & Means \$1000.00 Dues \$ 550.00 \$ 348.50 Show & Sell \$ 500.00 State Meeting Assessment \$ 150.00 \$ 81.00 Total Proposed Income \$2200.00 \$ 429.50

**Expenses** 

President \$ 50.00

Vice President \$ 30.00

Treasurer (checks and bank fees) \$ 25.00

**Recording Secretary \$ 50.00** 

Advisor/President Gift \$ 125.00

Audio Visual Equipment Rental Fees \$ 360.00

Calligraphy \$ 50.00

Club Scrapbook Contest Chairman \$ 50.00 \$ 58.89 Chaplain \$ 25.00

Editor \$ 10.00

Flowers \$ 20.00

Midterm Chairman \$ 100.00

Newsletter Contest Chairman \$ 75.00 \$ 30.15 Nominating Committee \$ 25.00 Officers Registration/Luncheon State Meeting \$ 400.00 \$ 42.00 Parliamentarian \$ 100.00 \$ Photographer \$ 25.00 \$

Procedure Manual Chairman/badges \$ 150.00 \$ 61.56 Research Chairman \$ 20.00

**State Meeting Liaison \$ 15.00** 

State/National Liaison (Multiples of America Ad) \$ 70.00

Twin Registry \$ 25.00

**Unity project \$ 25.00** 

Webmaster \$ 225.00 \$1209.52 Zoom \$150.00 \$ 30.00

Total Proposed Expenses \$2200.00 \$ 1432.12

Have a great rest of the spring and early summer!

Renie Cutt



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At the 56th Annual State Meeting for the New York State Organization Mothers of Twins Club, the following Election of Officers, Nominating Chairman and Nominating Committee Members took place. The results were as follow:

President Lisa Cartini Vice-President Barbi Cudney Lorena Cutt Treasurer Recording Secretary Diana Donovan-Campisi

Nominating Chairman Kathy Brousseau

Nominating Committee Members Kristina Bird

Linda Goldsworthy Hope Kaufman Cathy Marsicano

Congratulations to all!

In addition, the following By Law amendments were presented and approved:

### Article IX Section 1 TIME

The Annual Meeting of the State Organization shall be held on the last Saturday of April, unless altered by a majority vote of the member clubs or safety considerations warrant the convention location and format be decided by the Officers (elected and appointed).

### Article VII Section 5 ELECTIONS

Electronic Voting. Business items which would require a vote of delegates and which include but are not limited to election of Officers, Nominating Chairman, Nominating Committee, and future state meetings may be held via electronic voting with a minimum of 30 days' notice with the opportunity for discussing electronically or otherwise.

During the presentation by the 2023 State Meeting Chair, a motion was presented and approved to change the date of the 2023 State Meeting from April 27-30, 2023 to May 4-7, 2023. The hosting club will be WNY Moms and it will be held in Buffalo.

At the Sunday Executive Board meeting, President Lisa Cartini requested approval for her appointed Officers: Advisor Susie Smith and Parliamentarian Ruth Barone, which was given.

Under New Business at the Sunday Executive Board, I recommended an ad hoc committee be formed to review the Bylaws and Standing Rules, which was approved. The committee members are Michele Camilleri, Renie Cutt, Myriam Lavora, Susie Smith and myself. President Cartini serves as an ex office member. We will be meeting in the next few months and will bring our recommendations to the Midterm Board meeting for the Executive Board to review.

I want to thank Past President Susie Smith for the opportunity to serve as the Parliamentarian during the last six months. It was a challenging time, but the end results were well worth it. I also want to thank President Lisa Cartini for the opportunity to continue to serve as Parliamentarian.



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### Hello everyone!!

For those who may not know me, my name is Susie Smith and I am your newly appointed Advisor and Webmaster. My most recent position with NYSOMOTC was as your President for the last 3 years. I am a member of MOTC Suffolk and I have twin almost 12 year old fraternal boys.

As Advisor, my main job is to offer assistance to President Lisa when needed. As Webmaster, it is my responsibility as well as the Website & Social Media Committee to be sure the website and our social media accounts are maintained and updated with the most up-to-date information. I look forward to doing both of these positions and I thank President Lisa for the opportunity.

If anyone has any suggestions for the Website, please feel free to reach out to me or anyone on the Committee - Michele Camilleri, Lori Connolly or Phoebe Kannisto.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you at Midterm!

Sincerely, Susie Smith



Mariko Denton & Renee Orr

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## 2023 State Meeting

Onward and Upward!! We are excited to announce our date change request was approved at the 2021 State Meeting. The 58th Annual State Meeting will occur the weekend of May 4th-7th, 2023 in Buffalo. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Sincerely, Reneé Orr and Mariko Denton



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### Hello ladies.

This year, our annual state meeting was virtual again. It was truly well planned by the officers and most importantly our now past president, Susie Smith. I was lucky enough during the Saturday meeting to "present" her with her President's plaque during the afternoon session. As I am no wordsmith, I congratulated Susie and expressed our sincerest gratitude as best I could. But there truly are no words to convey my/our many thanks for all she has accomplished over these past three years, especially this past year. It took so much more planning and trial runs so make this meeting go smoothly and be able to accomplish our normal objectives. My most heartfelt congratulations for a job well done. Susie, I will miss being your advisor! Hah...but we'll still be up there together!

Also, I'd like to take this opportunity to formally congratulate our newest president, Lisa; vice President, Barbi and Secretary, Diana! I can't wait to work with you all again!

Past Advisor,

Renie Cutt



### Committee Chair

### Hello Ladies,

It was great to see so many of you on the Zoom Annual State Meeting! To the Executive Board who worked tirelessly to set the weekend up many Thanks to you! I know we all hope better days are ahead as the landscape of this pandemic evolves.

Thank you for electing me as Nominating Committee Chair. I look forward to working with everyone these upcoming terms. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered for a Board Position.

I hope you all have an enjoyable spring season. Soon summer will be here and I hope to spend many hours getting together with family and friends. I will be heading west to do some hiking with my sister.

Kathy Brousseau

# Committee Member

Hello Ladies! My name is Hope Kaufman and I am incredibly excited to be a part of the Nominating Committee for a second term. I love making connections with everyone across the State and doing my part to keep this amazing organization running. I am a member of MOTC-Suffolk and live on the east end of Long Island in Manorville. I have 4 year old fraternal twin boys Noah & Nolan. They will be 5 in Oct. I can't believe it's time for Kindergarten already! Have a wonderful Summer and LOOKING forward to seeing you all soon.

### Hello.

I am Linda Goldsworthy and many of you know me but in case you don't, I would like to introduce myself.

I am mother of identical girls age 35 and preparing to become a grandmother this month or early June.

I have been married for 40 years to Jim and we just relocated to Inlet NY. I am thrilled to be on the nominating committee! I have held several Stated Organization positions including MSS Committee member, MSS Committee Chair, State Meeting Co Chair, Vice President, President and currently Past President. I look forward to encouraging others to step in and join the board so we can continue this wonderful organization.

Thank you for electing me for this position. Linda



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Congratulations to the newly Elected and Appointed Officers, as they begin their new term. Best wishes and success to each of them.

Much gratitude to former President Susie Smith and her team, who worked tirelessly and contributed in many ways to make this first virtual state meeting a success! For those of us who "zoomed" with our state-wide MOTCs friends through the weekend, even though it wasn't "in-person", it was quite a special experience that will not be soon forgotten. One thing we could agree on is that this organization is resilient and willing to adapt to whatever it takes to get the work done.

Thank you, President Lisa Cartini, for giving me the opportunity to continue as the Procedure Manual Chairman. The NYSOMOTC Bylaws were amended at the April 24th General Membership meeting. The updated Bylaws have been sent to the Officers and to the Webmaster to post on the website, where the current manual is available to the Executive Board and the Member Clubs.

The 2021 State Rep Packet has been e-mailed to the clubs' Presidents and State Representatives and it's also available on the website www.nysomotc.org. Feel free to contact me at any time, should you have any questions. "Family, friends, sun, sand, and sea, that sounds like a summer to me."

Do enjoy the sunny season, continue to stay safe and healthy! Myriam Lavora



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Hello everyone. It was my honor to serve as Recording Secretary this past year and I extend my congratulations to Diana as she takes on this office. I will be changing hats and become the State Meeting Advisor. This position works with the convention committees to assist them as needed. I am also available to answer any questions a club might have in hosting a future convention. It's not to early to consider 2024! Have a warm and wonderful spring and summer and may the flowers in your bloom lovely! garden fragrant Michele Camilleri

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Marie Simmons Scholarship Committee

Kathlene Lyman - Treasurer/Vice Chairman

2020-2021-Final Financial Report

April 21, 2020-April 21, 2021



Opening Balance:

\$5,849.21

Income:

Donation: Suffolk Co MOTC \$ 500

2020 Lottery Ticket Fundraiser \$ 858

Donations: Lyman, Cartini, Barone,

Goldsworthy, Cutt \$ 192

2020 Midterm Registration Donate \$ 160

2021 Calendar Fundraiser \$1878

Total Income: \$3.588

Expense:

2020 Calendar Fundraiser Winners

(Suffolk Co MOTC)

Closing Balance:

\$8,937.21

(Note: There is still one \$1500 check to be written.)

The MSSC met and discussed the one scholarship check yet to be written. Due to the pandemic, Emily Martinec has been unable to register for her next courses. Her scholarship will be put in abeyance for one more year.

Since the above report was presented at the 2021 State Meeting, I have made a deposit of \$490 from the Lottery Fundraiser. I wrote two checks to the calendar fundraiser winners, Melissa Ahner and Lisa Vanderbrook. The third winner was Nassau County Parents of Multiples; they were sent a thank you as they generously donated their winnings to the MSSF.



The NYSOMOTC is extremely proud to provide scholarships to unmarried offspring of multiple birth families. One of my responsibilities is to work with the chairman and the committee to ensure all procedures are met. It is also my responsibility to maintain the ledger and checkbook to make sure all monies and transactions are handled in a timely manner.

I am the proud mother of fraternal twin girls, Laura and Darlene, who are both college graduates and are gainfully employed. As many of you have younger twins/triplets, singletons, I know that planning for their future education can be scary. Your children will grow fast and, before you know it, they will be looking to their adulthood. Enjoy them now and keep supporting the Marie Simmons Scholarship Fund so that one day the funds will be there for your children.

Kathy



Peggy Fiorini & Susan Venditti

# 2022 NYSOMOTC State Convention "L @@ KING FOR YOU IN 2022"

POMOFCNY

The Parents of Multiples Club of CNY has been busy planning the 2022 State Convention! The dates for the convention are Thursday, Aril 28<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>.

We have secured the Embassy Suites by Hilton in East Syracuse, New York. The room rates will be \$119.00 per night for doubles or king. The hotel has recently been updated! The hotel looks amazing and the rooms are awesome. Each room is a suite with separate bedroom and sitting room. If you are planning on using your tax exempt status for the hotel rooms you will need to send the hotel your Tax Exempt form one week prior to the event. The address for the hotel is 6646 Old Collamer Road South, East Syracuse, NY 13057.

We are planning some fun activities for Thursday night. On Friday night we will have a Mystery Dinner. And Saturday night we will be hosting a "New Year's Eve" party with hats, noise makers and a balloon drop at "midnight".

We want to thank the Twins and Triplets Mothers Club for hosting the Hospitality

Room at the convention.

So, we will be" L OO KING FOR YOU IN 2022"

Peggy Fiorini 2022 State Convention Co-Chairman

Susie Venditti
2022 State Convention Co- Chairman



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I have 4 kids books for you in this article. The first two will help keep the kids busy with the up coming Summer.

The second two are Lucy Books. Written by Lisa Sirkis Thompson and Illustrated by John Thompson

1) The Kids Camp Fire Book - written by Jane Drake and Ann Love - illustrated by Heather Collins

100's of things for kids to keep busy with from June to September like: games, songs, ghost stories etc.

- 2) The Kids Summer Fun Book written by Clair Gillman Adventure and games for the entire family to do.
- 3) Lucy's Quiet Day Received 4 1/2 stars, It was published 3/14/21 This book will help kid's understand that being alone can be fun even during a crisis.
- 4) Lucy's Mask Received 4 3/4 stars Lucy wears costume masks all the time. Her mom now is making her a special mask to keep her healthy and safe forever.



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# 2020-2021 Newsletter Contest

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Happy May Ladies!! It still makes me smile when I think about this year's convention. Although it wasn't a typical convention, I am so glad many of Suffolk's members were able to get together and share a fun weekend away. I was happy to be the newsletter contest chairman once again this year and I know Merry will do a great job this upcoming year. Thank you to those clubs who participated. The judges were all impressed by the work each club did.



# Congratulations to our First Place Newsletter Winner Nassau County POM newsletter editor Helen Chen

Second Place
Suffolk County MOTC
newsletter editor Daniela Eaton

Third Place
Western NY Moms of Multiples

newsletter editor Amy Rartlet

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It was so nice to see everyone on the Virtual Convention Zoom meetings! I really enjoyed it and what a great job by those who had a hand in planning it.

I acknowledged 8 First Time Attendees and are hoping you all keep attending conventions! We had 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40 years Membership Pin recipients. This was a big year! Congratulations Ladies. Pins will be awarded at the 2022 Convention because I know it will be in-person.

The page listing all the members who were recognized has been included in this newsletter. I really enjoy holding the position of Membership Pins Chairman. It is fun to tally the years of attendance and find out first the names of those who will be recognized. I cannot wait until Convention 2022 when I can read the past 2 years of reflection summaries and award everyone their pins.

Have a great summer and here's to hoping for an in-person Mid Term Meeting in October!

### First Time Attendees

Stacey Akinola-MOTC Suffolk Crystal Amato - MOTC Suffolk Nicole Botta - MOTC Suffolk Diana Jernigan-Breedy - MOTC Suffolk Michelle Kesner - MOTC Suffolk Helen Chen - Nassau County POM Janis Meadow – Nassau County POM Danielle Roberts - WNYMoMs

### 5 Years

Shira Dubey - MOTC Suffolk Daniela Eaton – MOTC Suffolk Janine Weber - MOTC Suffolk Kristina Bird – Westside Suburban MOTC

Doreen Grenci - MOTC Suffolk Susie Smith - MOTC Suffolk

Elyse NeMoyer - WNYMoMs

### 20 Years

Suzanne Karaszewski - WNYMoMs

### 25 Years

Jacquelyn Lotana - Schenectady MOTO Cynthia Sanger – Westside Suburban MOTC

### 30 Years

Michele Camilleri - MOTC Queens Cathy Renko-Westside Suburban MOTC Michele DelleBovi - WNYMoMs

Myriam Lavora

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### Hello Ladies!

The Annual Multiples of America Convention will be virtual this year. This is the first Virtual Summit and will be held July 31- August 1. The critical business of the organization will be conducted. More information on how to register for this event is available at:

https://multiplesofamerica.org/convention/

Registration is \$30 for members and \$45 for non-members. A Zoom format will be used.

There was a winner announced for to vote rename the Notebook. The winning title is "Multiple Connections".

My club is not renewing its membership in the Multiples of America Organization and I will not be continuing on as State National Liaison.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Brousseau



Thank you for everyone who so generously participated in our Virtual Fundraising Event during the past 2021 NYSMOTC State Meeting. We had several lucky winners that we want to acknowledge!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS:

Color Street Gift Basket- Nancy Cootware POM of CNY

Shelly Cove Gift Bag with T Shirt, hat and Necklace- Michele Szatkowski GRMOTC

Swarovski Turtle Bracelet- Michelle DeleBovie WNYM

Amazon Gift Card - Ericka D'Auria MOTC Suffolk

2 Night's Free @ Embassy Suites " Looking for you in 2022" – Jeannine Kellenberger MOTC Suffolk



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Before Midterm, I picked the topic of Birthdays and Multiples for this year's research survey. After getting approval from the board, and making a few changes to the survey, I put it on a Google Form and sent the link out to the State Reps. along with an email attachment in case someone wanted to fill one out on paper. All but one of the 87 responses were received via Google Forms. I tabulated the results using charts and pivot tables in Google Sheets. Every year I find easier ways to tabulate the responses!

I have enjoyed serving as the Research Chair for the last several years, but I admit that I'm getting burned out and would love to have someone else take over. I would like to turn my attention to working on the Twin Data Registry. I never seem to get to work on that since it is such an overwhelming project that I have to start from scratch. I'd like to welcome Mariko Denton of WNY MoMs who is going to be serving as co-chair for Research/Twin Data Registry. She will be doing the annual survey and I will be working on the Twin Data Registry. She has lots of experience with running surveys, and I know she will do a terrific job.

Twincerely,

Doreen Grenci

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Hello everyone! I'm excited to take on this position alongside Doreen, who will continue to provide guidance along the way. To give you some background about me, I live in Buffalo, NY with my husband Brandon and our four children, boy/girl twins Cameron and Sophia (8 years old), singleton boy Owen (6 years old), and singleton girl Charlotte (will be 4 years old this May). All of our children have varying degrees of special education needs and my local club has been a critical social outlet for me as I navigate my journey through motherhood.

I have been a researcher my entire career and I. Love. Data. I studied social group initiation for my senior research at Colgate University in Hamilton, NY, and then worked for Harris Interactive (best known for The Harris Poll) for 10 years in Rochester, NY designing and conducting marketing research studies around the world for pharmaceutical and medical device companies. Once our twins were born, I left Harris to continue doing research on a part-time consultant basis. I also volunteered for a year as a National Worker with Multiples of America on their Research Committee under Olivia Hare and Brenda Roser (the current MOA President). I jump for any opportunity to keep my "research brain" exercised, so I'm eager to serve with Doreen on the NYSOMOTC Research committee.

Take care all!

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### Hello Fellow MoMs!

My name is Ericka D'Auria. I am the currently the fundraising chair of MOTC Suffolk. I have held the positions of children's social chair, adult social's chair, convention treasurer, a member of the nominating committee, I am currently the national rep and was the VP for 2 years.

I am happily married for 12 years. My husband's name is Ed, he is a school teacher. We have 6 children all together, our oldest, Danielle, is 29, married, and lives in London with her husband, Mac. Then we have 2 boys, Dominick, 24, he is in college, and Joseph, 19, is in Culinary School.

Our twin girls, Amelia and Katherine, are 9 years old. They are in fourth grade and are active in Girl Scouts and they play softball. Our baby, Meghan, is seven years old. She is in Second grade, and is making her Communion this month! She is in Girl Scouts and gymnastics.

I work part time at a local flower shop that I have worked in for 24 years! I am a certified teacher but took time off to raise my children.

I am also a Girl Scout leader, The Coordinator for the Girl Scout Service Unit and a member of the PTA.

I look forward to working with all of you fine ladies. Please submit all articles and pictures, etc. to NYSOMOTCnews@amail.com.

I am excited to take on the position of State and National Liaison. I am the current state/ National liaison for my local club and look forward to sharing any news that Multiples of America distributes!

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Club Scrapbook Page Contest 2021 NYSOMOTC State Convention "Best Moments With Friends ... From A Distance"

The 2021 Club Scrapbook Page Contest was definitely different from the other conventions. Having the contest virtual was challenging. There were 5 clubs submitting entries for the contest. They were:

MOTC Suffolk - Jeannine Kellenberger POM of CNY - Lisa Cartini Schenectady MOTC - Jane Martinec Western New York Moms - Sharon Witul Westside Suburban MOTC - Barbi Cudney

I would like to thank all the clubs who submitted pages for the contest. The pages were

judged on Friday afternoon by employees of the hotel. They enjoyed the pages and said they

all were great!

The winners are:

Third Place - POM of CNY Second Place - Western New York Moms First Place – Westside Suburban MOTC Members Choice - Westside Suburban MOTC

Congratulations to the winners and great job to all who entered. I will be working on a

theme for the 2022 State Convention over the summer and should have a choice by the Mid-

Term Board Meeting.

Susie Venditti Club Scrapbook Page Contest Chairman



### Parents of Multiples Club of CNY

POM of CNY were all in attendance by Zoom at the 2021 State Meeting. We rented rooms at the Embassy Suites Hotel. We definitely had a great time! We also toasted the new President of the NYSOMOTC with champagne! She just happens to be our Club Vice President! Congratulations Lisa Cartini! Reservations were made at the hotel for another overnighter! We will be staying May 14<sup>th</sup> for our May Banquet and also having a meeting to prepare for the 2022 State Convention.

Susan Venditti, State Representative Parents of Multiples Club of CNY









### Chemung Valley MOTC

Our club hasn't met for months in person or for a Zoom meeting, but we would like to announce that one of our members has fulfilled a lifelong dream of becoming a published author! Our own Michelle Burns (Michelle Pointis Burns) has written her first Cozy Mystery titled <u>Say Cheese and Murder</u>. It is book 1 of A Lemington Cheese Company Mystery series. We are all so proud of her for this fantastic accomplishment that took years of writing, rewriting, editing, and all that goes with learning to sell your own book (Oh! and all the while homeschooling 5 children) Great job Michelle and we're patiently waiting for your next book in the series! You can check her out at www.michelleto.ntisburns.com. where she also has her own site for a homeschooling blog!

