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September

1- Hotel reservations made for Midterm Meeting;
Nominating Chairman sends Resume Forms to
Executive Board;

14-September/October Presidential Papers distributed;
\$15 late fee applied to unpaid clubs; Vice President
notifies the Club's President & State Reps
October

1- Midterm meeting registrations due to Chairman;
Agenda items and expense vouchers due to President;
Resume forms due to Nominating Chairman

3- Midterm meeting reports due to Webmaster

21- Newsletter articles due to the Editor

November

1- MSS Scholarship Fundraiser packets mailed to
member clubs

4- 3rd Call review finalized with State Meeting Chairman

9- November/December Presidential Papers distributed

20- 1st draft of Midterm Minutes Due to President,

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President's Letter

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I don't know about all of you but Fall is my favorite time of the year. The temperatures are milder, I love the changing colors of the leaves and who can't resist a cup of warm cider. After the summer that I have had, I'm happy for the change in seasons. I would like to thank all of you who reached out to me after the passing of my Mother in Law. Whether it was by an email, text or a card. It really helped during a difficult time.

As I sit to write my report (the beginning of August) I am happy to say we will be gathering for Midterm on Saturday Oct 16 in Vestal. We hope to see all the club Presidents, State Reps and Executive Board members. I'm sure we will gather on Friday evening for a group dinner as we have in the past. It really gives us all a chance to catch up. We will have a lot to catch up with since it has been so long since we were together. I look forward to seeing you all and having a productive meeting. However, after saying that, by the time you receive this things may have changed. With the daily changes that are coming through again due to Covid, I will stay in close contact with my elected board in case we need to make any modifications or requirements. I ask you all to watch your email for any updates that may come.

I would also like you to all to make sure to check our updated website and Facebook pages. They all look great and are a great source of information. Thank you to the Website Committee! They have all really worked hard.

Hope to see you all in October!

Executive Board Letter

I want to start by saying Thank You to the Executive Board Members who needed to work hard all summer. Usually this is a slower time for us but so much needed to happen. The Nominating Committee had positions to fill, the Website and Facebook pages were updated, plans were made for our 1st in person event in 2 years (fingers crossed), a committee was formed to review / update the Bylaws, we were able to purchase our own Zoom account and the MSS committee also had business to conduct to prepare for the applications that will be requested. There is so much that goes on to ultimately prepare for our General Meeting in April. I'm happy that so much was accomplished by using our new Zoom account. It made things so much easier.

Make sure to send your reports for Midterm to Susie by Oct 1st so she has time to put the presentation together. If you are not able to attend you still need to send in a report!

Even though I love our Zoom, I'm hoping we won't be needing it for our Midterm but with the numbers of Covid 19 cases on the rise again, we will need to be prepared for any changes that may need to occur. Please watch your emails for any updates.

Vice President's Report

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Welcome to Fall, ladies!!!!!! My hope is that you have enjoyed a wonderful summer with friends, family and children, making memories with all!! Although we are unable to meet in person for our Midterm Board Meeting, I am looking forward to "seeing" you at our Zoom meeting on October 16th.

Take heart; we are a strong organization and will get through all of this. I am enjoying reading your articles and newsletters; what a great variety we have!! And so much creativity among us! It's great to see. If anyone knows of other groups or clubs who are interested in possibly joining our state organization or hearing more information about it, please let me know so that I may contact them.

Please let me know if I can be of help to you in any way,

Twincerealy,
Barbi Cudney, VP

As The Turtle Goes...

MOTC Suffolk has been busy with the following events:

- Installation dinner.
- * Welcomed a new member with identical twin girls.
- * Moms Night In with pj's and snacks for support and friendship.
- * Monthly hike.
- * Twins Day Dinner.
- * Childrens' Social.

Nassau POMC held the following events:

- * Installation Dinner.
- * 4th of July Parade
- * Many fundraising events, ongoing.
- * Book Club Meeting.

Schenectady MOTC held an End of Year Dinner; they have been active for 55 years.

Western NY Moms have been active with these events:

- Installation of new officers.
- Make ahead Meal Prep
- Hibachi Dinner
- Book Discussion
- Moms' Summer Luncheon

Westside Suburban MOTC held:

- * A Family Picnic.

Board Planning Meeting for the upcoming year.

Ideas to implement were: making each meeting a themed meeting, spotlighting a member monthly, mix and mingle (a time to socialize at meetings, question and answer session for assistance with Moms

Twincerealy, Barbi Cudney

Treasurer's Report

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Things in the treasury realm have been somewhat quiet! I have received dues from 12 clubs, all submitted on time! I have also received the completely signed Letters of Authority, so I can now pursue a possible new account where we can use Zelle in connection with a business type checking account.

Enjoy the early fall!

New York State Organization Of Mothers of Twins Clubs

General Fund

June/ July 2021

Opening Balance (as of 6/1/2021) \$ 6,852.63

Income:

Club Dues (12 Clubs) \$ 349.00

Total Income \$ 349.00

Expenses:

None

Total Expenses: \$ -

Closing Balance (7/31/2021) \$ 7,201.63

New York State Organization of Mothers Of Twins Clubs

Eleanor Siegel Fund

June-July, 2021

Opening Balance (as of 6/1/2021) \$ 357.48

Income:

\$ -

Total Income \$ -

Expenses:

\$ -

Total Expenses: \$ -

Closing Balance (7/31/2021) \$ 357.48

SCHENECTADY MOTC: I would like to share with you some history on the founding of SMOTC. June 12 of this year, Jackie and Mike Lotano will have been married 61 years! They have six children including their bonus fraternal twins, Mike and Nick, born in 1965. Jackie enjoyed reading the daily birth announcements in the newspaper and also her subscription of BabyTalk Magazine. She realized that she was one of many mother's of multiples in the Capital Region and decided to contact the National MOTC from the article she found in her magazine, Jackie received a kit called, "How to Start a Mothers of Twins Club," she still has it! After many phone calls and lots of planning, she hosted the first meeting in

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As I am writing this newsletter report, I am beginning the countdown from employment to retirement. I will be leaving Catholic Family Center on September 17. I can say with all honesty that I am looking forward to being able to enjoy a new adventure with my husband and family!!

The Ad Hoc Committee met on August 5th and have another meeting scheduled for August 31st. We are very close to completing our review and update to the By-Laws as well as the Standing Rules. It is still our plan to bring the proposed changes to the Executive Board in October. Based on the outcome of that meeting, we will reconvene to make any agreed upon changes and move towards bringing the update/changes to the NYSOMOTC membership in April.

While we are not yet done, I would like to thank the committee members - Lisa, Michele, Renie, Myriam, and Susie - for their dedication and commitment to this endeavor. I appreciate their dedication to this organization and to the task we have undertaken. While we are pretty much brain dead by the end of the evening, what we have accomplished at each meeting has been very rewarding.

Enjoy the rest of the summer. I look forward to being together with many of you at the Midterm Board meeting.

Nominating Committee

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Hello Ladies,

Summer is well underway. My summer has been filled with relaxation and visits with family and friends. So much different than last summer and for that I am very thankful. It has been so nice to connect with everyone after a long stressful year. I hope you all are having an enjoyable summer and have time for fun! I will be off canoeing the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness. This is a very different trip than my usual but looking forward to an escape into the wilderness with no devices!

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at Midterm in October.

There are still a few positions open on the Board. One of those is for the Chaplain position. I am listing the description below, but I want to express how meaningful this position is. A main piece is sending out cards to members for various purposes. This thoughtful message can often bring someone who is sick or struggling a bright spot in their day. Please consider taking this position on. The position can also be shared between two people as there are tasks that are easily split.

Chaplain

The Chaplain offers the reflection prayers at the opening and closing of the annual State Meeting and at the Executive Board Meetings. She leads Grace at the Luncheon, conducts the Memorial Service, prepares the Memorial Page for the Program Booklet and sends cards of acknowledgement to local club members, on behalf of the NYSOMOTC

Prior to the State Meeting: Select the appropriate reflections or poems to be read; bearing in mind that we are a non-racial, non partisan, non sectarian organization with a diversity of religious beliefs and ethnic backgrounds. Consult the President for approval of selections.

Memorial Page for the Program Booklet: Chaplain prepares a list with the names of the deceased members and club affiliation. The Memorial Page should be mailed to the State Meeting Chairman by no later than **April 1st**.

Memorial Service: The amount of the flowers is based on one-per club represented at the State Meeting and one for each of the six Officers. Confirm with the State Meeting Chairman that the flowers are in the convention bins.

- The Memorial Service takes place at the first half of the Saturday General Meeting. Consult the President to confirm the time.
- Inspirational readings, poems and/or recorded songs may be used, upon consulting with the President.
- The white pillar Memorial Candle is provided by the Nominating Chairman.
- Arrange for the lights in the room to be deemed
- Announcement is made for members not wishing to be present for the service, may opt to vacate the room

Cards: News of birth, illness or death of a member, child, spouse or immediate family member (grandchild or parent]) may be sent to you by the clubs' State Representative or the President. Send an appropriate card on behalf of the State Organization.

Notification of a member's death: The State Reps notify the Chairman the deceased member's name and club affiliation for inclusion in the Memorial Book.

Donations: In memory of a deceased member (or family member), a donation may be made by the local club or an individual, to the Eleanor Siegel Memorial Fund or the Marie Simmons Scholarship Fund. The Chaplain forwards the donation to the Treasurer and sends a card acknowledgement on behalf of NYSOMOTC to the family of the deceased.

Super State Rep Award: A club's notification of member's news or a donation earns a credit point towards the Super State Rep award. Email the Vice President a list of the clubs who have notified you, by no later than April 1st.

Newsletter Articles: Write an article for each issue of the Presidential Papers. Mention any occasion for which a card was sent, including the name of the member and her club.

Procedure Manual

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For current information on board positions and other state-related items, please view the Procedure Manual at www.nysomotc.org.

If you have a question or concern, feel free to contact me at any time.

Enjoy the few weeks left of the summer weather and the spectacular sunsets; stay safe and healthy. Looking forward to the Midterm Executive Board Meeting in October.

Regards,
Myriam Lavora

Twin Data Registry

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Well, I have finally begun work on the NYSOMOTC Twin Data Registry. I downloaded LibreOffice on my computer and saved the framework of the database that Kathy Brousseau had done for me. I've started to input some of the data off the forms that I have been holding. I need to continue to play with it and see how queries can be run on the data. I think I have to change a few things, so that it will yield better results when comparing data. Soon, I will start promoting the Twin Data Registry form once again and encouraging the State Reps. to distribute it to their members who have never submitted one and/or recently joined. This is still in its infancy, but the future of the registry is looking bright, and I will keep you posted.
Twincereely,

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It is BOYS month. I have 4 boys as I write this my twin sons are turning 41. Yikes. (The one from Buffalo went to San Francisco as they don't get together to celebrate.) I have 4 grandsons and one wonderful step son. Though these books are way too young for them my boys they will fit my grandsons soon enough and hopefully yours.

1) The Double Dangerous Book for Boys by Hal Iggulden

1.5 million copies of this book have been sold. It is good for boys 8 - 80. It covers a lot of things leaning towards boyhood skills such as: building tree houses, learning to fish, finding true North, what is the big deal with girls and much more. I wish I had this when my 4 boys were growing up.

2) The Double Dangerous Book for Boys by Hal Iggulden

The is a long awaited sequel showing there is so much everyday things to teach boys. This is an adventure guide. It has 70 chapters. You will find things like the law, making windsor knots, making loops, writing thank you letters, starting chess, etc. WOW.

3) Monster Truck Coloring Book.

This is 5th in a series. It has Large truck with lots of decor on good paper. There is not a pix on the back so you can frame them without seeing colors from the other side come through. Looks like fun.

2022 State Meeting

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2022 NYSOMOTC State Convention

“L  KING FOR YOU IN 2022”

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

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 approved and published our personalized group page. It is:
https://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/S/SYRDWES-MOM-20220428/index.ihtml?WT.mc_id=POG

Group Name:	MOMS OF MULTIPLES
Group Code:	MOM
Check-in:	8-APR-2022
Check-out:	01-MAY-2022
Hotel Name:	Embassy Suites by Hilton Syracuse
Hotel Address:	6646 Old Collamer Road South East Syracuse, New York 13057
Phone Number:	315.446.3200

We are planning some fun activities for Thursday night. On Friday we will have some great workshops planned and Friday night we will have a Mystery Dinner Theater. We are planning on having “pop-up” raffles during the Saturday meeting. At the Saturday luncheon we will have Bingo so bring your lucky turtles. Saturday night will be a New Year’s Eve party with a DJ, Photo booth, hats, noise makers, a count down and a Lip Sync Challenge.

We want to thank the Twins and Triplets Mothers Club for hosting the Hospitality Room at the convention.

We will also have raffles at the Mid-Term Board Meeting.

So we will be” L  KING FOR YOU IN 2022”

Peggy Fiorini
2022 State Convention Co-Chairman

Susie Venditti
2022 State Convention Co- Chairman

Nominating Committee

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As a past MSS Committee Chairman, I understand the importance of this position within our organization. As a current member of the Nominating Committee, we are still looking for someone to take on this position. Since we moved the lottery ticket sale to Mid-term meeting last year, we will need to work together to get this done in time. With the help of Kristina Bird, we will get this moving so we will be ready for Mid-Term however we are asking for someone to step up within a week of delivery of this Presidential Papers.

To give everyone more info on the position, some points below were taken from the existing Procedure Manual.

The MSS Fundraiser is a member of the Marie Simmons Scholarship Committee and shall perform her duties in accordance with the established procedure guidelines.

Calendar Raffle Packet:

- Consists of a 12-month calendar in printable form. Include a cover letter to the State Reps with instructions to follow during the sales period and a Tally Sheet to be returned with the calendar.
- The packet is sent via e-mail (or regular mail) to the current State Reps of the member clubs, by no later than November 1st. • The sales period concludes at the end of February. • Dates are sold for \$2.00 per box. Multiple buyers may purchase the same date. • The buyer's name is printed inside the date box. Her name and full address are also printed in the number line corresponding to the date selected, adjacent to each month's page •
- By March 1st, the Chairman sends the State Reps a reminder to return the calendar, money and the scratch-off lottery tickets donated by their club. All returns must be postmarked by March 15th. Scratch –off Lottery Tickets Raffle: Each local club member is asked to donate a \$1 scratch-off ticket.

Scratch –off Lottery Tickets Raffle:

- Each local club member is asked to donate a \$1 scratch-off ticket. • The State Rep collects the donated lottery tickets. •
- Tickets are mailed to the MSS Fundraiser Chairman prior to Mid-Term Meeting this year.
- Sale of the tickets at the Mid-Term meeting will be done by Fundraising Chair and volunteers.

Please consider taking on this very important role and know that you do not need to do this alone.

Thank you

Linda Goldsworthy

Nominating Committee Member

MSS Chair Report

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Hello Everyone,

I hope you all are doing well and looking forward to the turning of the seasons! I know personally I am looking forward to pumpkin flavored everything, crunchy fall leaves, brisk sweater weather and hot apple cider! The MSS Committee met in August to map out a plan for publicizing our fantastic scholarship opportunity. We are looking forward to receiving many applications and awarding (2) deserving students with \$1,500 scholarships.

We still do not “officially” have MSS Fundraiser Chairpeople. If you are interested in this position, please contact the Nominating Committee. We would love to have you! If you are interested in participating in the fundraisers, we will be having the lotto basket raffle at Midterm and the Calendar raffle at Convention. All contributions are greatly appreciated!! Lottery ticket donations and raffle ticket purchase information will be circulated soon.

PLEASE remind your club members to spread the word about the available Marie Simmons Scholarships. We will begin to circulate the 2021-2022 Application on Sept. 1st, 2021. Students can request the application and begin to collect all the required documents. The deadline for submission is February 20, 2022.

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.”

We are privileged to give away up to (2) \$1,500 scholarships in April of 2022 to two students of multiple-birth families who meet the criteria. Your students can contact me by email at NYSOMOTC@gmail.com. The Committee is looking forward to reviewing all the applications and awarding two scholarships at Convention.

Happy Fall! Respectfully Submitted,

Shira Dubey

MSS Committee Chairman 2021-2022

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Marie Simmons Scholarship Committee

Kathlene Lyman - Treasurer/Vice Chairman

Financial Report - April 21, 2021- August 30, 2021



Opening Balance:

\$8,937.21

Income:

Lottery Fundraiser \$490

Donation, Nassau Co POM 167

Expenses:

Calendar Winners: \$ 501

(Ahner, Vanderbrook, Nassau)

Emily Martinec, 2020 MSS 1,500

Closing Balance:

\$7593.21

I am pleased to share that Emily Martinec has been able to resume her classes. She has completed her requirements and we wish her success. The Marie Simmons Scholarship Committee has met and announces that requests for applications are now being accepted.

Donations are always welcome. Consider making a club donation or an individual donation.

Kathy

State Club Reports



Schenectady enjoyed an August get together dinner. We had a great time catching up with each other!



Kathy B on vacation "Spent 5 days in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area! It was such an amazing adventure!"



MOTC Suffolk Summer Activities

On, Sunday, July 18, a group of MOTC Suffolk ladies, family and friends went on a Brew Cycle Tour of several breweries in Riverhead. It was one of those group cycles with people on either side and someone steering up front. A good time was had by all.



The Children's Socials Team planned a fun July night for families at the Long Island Duck's baseball game which ended with fireworks.

Several familiar MOTC Suffolk faces got together for a Paint Night at Off Key Tikki in Patchogue. The ladies painted turtles on wine glasses.



July's activities were wrapped up with the dice game BUNCO at Daniela Eaton's house.