



# Presidential Papers

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## Just a Few Friendly Reminders...

### AUGUST 2024

13 Newsletter articles due to the Editor

15 \$10 late fee applied to unpaid clubs; Vice President notifies the Club's President & State Reps; 2nd Draft of State Minutes due to President, Parliamentarian and Minutes Approval

### SEPTEMBER 2024

1 Hotel reservations made for Midterm Meeting; Nominating Chair sends Resume Forms to

Executive Board; Official State Meeting Minutes sent to Executive Board

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

### OCTOBER 2024

1 Midterm meeting registrations due to Chairperson; Agenda items and expense vouchers due to President; Resume forms due to Nominating Chairperson; MSS Scratch Off Tickets and monies due to MSS Fundraiser Chairperson

3 Midterm meeting reports due to Webmaster

19 Midterm Executive Board Meeting

22 Newsletter articles due to the Editor

# President's Letter

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Hello Ladies,

Summer is in full swing and I have just returned from a great trip out west. Hiking to the bottom of the Grand Canyon in 110 degree heat was difficult but we hiked early in the morning and stayed well hydrated. Traveling around that area of the country is amazing and there are so many places that

remind me of the vastness of the country and the untouched wilderness. Other hikes included a rocky trail to some dinosaur footprints and another hike up a steep hillside to some sand caves. Another thing that impressed me was seeing the geological layers and listening to various discussions on the formation of the early millions of years ago. It is hard to imagine the changes that have taken place over the millions of years.

Back to present day! I am catching up on NYSOMOTC tasks for the upcoming year. The 2026 Convention is still waiting for a club to take this on. If your club is interested in hosting or co-hosting please let me know as soon as possible. There is still an open position for Marie Simmons Scholarship Chair. Please consider taking this very important position on.

I hope everyone has been enjoying summer and able to spend some relaxing time. Summer is always busy with kids home from school! And busy for parents as they take them to various summer activities. Whatever your summer brings you, I hope you all enjoy the time.

Sincerely,

Kathy Brousseau

## Executive Board Letter

Hello to the Executive Board. I hope you all have settled into your position. For many of you this is the second year or more in your position and I thank you for taking this position on. For those of you who are new, please feel free to send along any questions you may have and many thanks for taking on a position on the board.

Please review the Procedure Manual which is on the Website. The position descriptions are on the Website under the Board Members Page. If you need the password please contact the Webmaster! Details on Midterm should be available soon and I look forward to seeing everyone at the Midterm Meeting.

Sincerely,

Kathy Brousseau, President

# Vice President's Report

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Hello Ladies!

Thank you to all the State Reps who got their Stat Forms and dues to me by June 1st. I love reading your newsletters and reports that you send to me for the Presidential Papers. You all have some amazing events and ideas for your clubs to enjoy. Please let me know if I can help you or your club with any information. Also, if you know of a club who is not a member of our NYSOMOTC organization, please give me their information and I will be happy to contact them about joining us.

I look forward to seeing you at the Mid Term Board Meeting in October. Have a great summer with your family and friends.

Twinsincerely,

Pam Reussow - VP

## As The Turtle Goes...

Suffolk MOTC did an outstanding job on our convention in April!

They are doing a couple Sunday Walks at two state parks. What fun! They are holding their installation of officers' dinner in June. Shira is holding a Bunco Night at her house. Love that game! This summer they will be going to a Long Island Ducks Game. And the ultimate fun time, will be dinner on the beach at Cedar Beach. Enjoy your summer!

Western NY Mothers of Multiples are busy wrapping up their previous club year and starting a new one. They are collecting SPCA donations. In June for their Moms Night Out they are having a Scavenger Hunt. For their August board meeting they will be having a pot luck.

# Treasurer's Report

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## New York State Organization of Mothers Of Twins Clubs 2024-2025 General Fund Treasury Report



Opening Balance	2023-2024 Club Year		April/May 2024		YTD Total			
	\$5,941.95		\$5,802.10		2023-2024 Year		2024-2025 Year	
					INCOME	EXPENSE	INCOME	EXPENSE
2024 Conv Officer Reg/Lunch		\$ 570.00	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 570.00	\$ -	\$ -
2024 Show & Sell Income	\$ 95.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 95.00		\$ -	\$ -
2024 State Meeting Assessment	\$ 97.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 97.00		\$ -	\$ -
2024 Ways & Means Income	\$ 540.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 540.00		\$ -	\$ -
2025 Show & Sell Income			\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ -
Advisor			\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ -
AV Charges			\$ -	\$ 630.00			\$ -	\$ 630.00
Bank Fees			\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ -
Certificates		\$ 12.93	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 12.93	\$ -	\$ -
Club Dues			\$ 110.50	\$ -			\$ 305.25	\$ -
Club Scrapbook	\$ 35.39		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35.39		\$ -	\$ -
Donations			\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ -
Membership Pins	\$ 56.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 56.00		\$ -	\$ -
Midterm Meeting			\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ -
Nominating Committee	\$ 43.42		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 43.42		\$ -	\$ -
Parliamentarian			\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ -
President	\$ 24.97		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24.97		\$ -	\$ -
Proc Manual	\$ 129.14		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 129.14		\$ -	\$ -
State Meeting Loan			\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ -
State/National Liaison - National Ad			\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 732.00</b>	<b>\$ 871.85</b>	<b>\$ 110.50</b>	<b>\$ 898.38</b>	<b>\$ 732.00</b>	<b>\$ 871.85</b>	<b>\$ 305.25</b>	<b>\$ 898.38</b>

Closing Balance \$5,802.10 \$5,014.22 \$5,069.12

## New York State Organization of Mothers Of Twins Clubs 2024-2025 Eleanor Siegel Memorial Fund Treasury Report

Opening Balance	2023-2024 Club Year		April/May 2024		YTD Total			
	\$794.47		\$3,109.47		2023-2024 Year		2024-2025 Year	
					INCOME	EXPENSE	INCOME	EXPENSE
State Meeting Loan Repayment	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Interest	\$ 0.02	\$ -	\$ 0.05	\$ -	\$ 0.02	\$ -	\$ 0.05	\$ -
2024 Midterm Donations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Transfer of State Mtg Loan	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
50/50 Proceeds from 2024 State Mtg	\$ 315.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 315.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 2,315.02</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 0.05</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 2,315.02</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 0.05</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

Closing Balance \$3,109.49 \$3,109.52 \$5,424.54

# Librarian

Hello Ladies, I hope everyone is finding some time for themselves these last few months. For many of us we are busy chasing after our toddlers, trying to get our children to stay focused on finishing out the school year, being the uber driver to their spring sports and/or school functions while trying to take a few minutes to try and enjoy this beautiful weather we have been having the last few weeks.

Like I always say, hopefully you will have some time for yourself over this summer and get to read or listen to a book! As many of the schools are letting out for the summer the teachers are encouraging the kids to read or our local library is starting their kick off to summer reading! If you can go check it out... sometimes they have amazing gifts to raffle off if you check out books! A few recommendations below, and as always do not be afraid to send any recommendations for this article!

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## Children:

*Ling & Ting Series by Grace Lin:* Ling and Ting are two adorable identical twins, and they stick together, whether they are making dumplings, getting their haircut, or practicing magic tricks. But looks are deceiving--people can be very different, even if they look exactly the same.

## Teen/Young Adult

*Work With What You Got: A Memoir by Zion Clark and James Hirsch:* Elite wheelchair racer and wrestler Zion Clark joins with *New York Times* best-selling author James S. Hirsch for a stunning memoir—recounting childhood adversity, awe-inspiring perseverance, and self-invention.

*The Midnight Library by Matt Haig:* Between life and death there is a library.

When Nora Seed finds herself in the Midnight Library, she has a chance to make things right. Up until now, her life has been full of misery and regret. She feels she has let everyone down, including herself. But things are about to change.

## Mom's/Adults

*Accountable: The True Story of a Racist Social Media Account and the Teenagers Whose Lives it Changed by Dashka Slater:* When a high school student started a private Instagram account that used racist and sexist memes to make his friends laugh, he thought of it as “edgy” humor. Over time, the edge got sharper. Then a few other kids found out about the account, and pretty soon, everyone knew. Ultimately no one in the small town of Albany, California, was safe from the repercussions of the account’s discovery: not the girls targeted by the posts. Not the boy who created the account. Not the group of kids who followed it. Not the adults—educators and parents—whose attempts to fix things too often made them worse. In the end, no one was laughing, and everyone was left wondering: What does it mean to be held accountable for harm that takes place behind a screen?

# 2025 State Meeting

Tracy Schaner and  
Kristina Bird ~  
Westside Suburban  
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Westside has been working hard all spring fundraising for the 2025 State Meeting! Dinner and luncheon committee members are getting ready to meet with the Woodcliff catering team at the end of June. We are so excited to share with you the following article that named the Woodcliff Hotel and Spa the best new or newly renovated spa in America! We are still working hard in the diamond shop for all you amazing ladies to shine bright!

[https://www.rochesterfirst.com/news/business/local-business/woodcliff-hotel-and-spa-wins-american-spa-magazine-award/?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAAAR3RM41VhNBme\\_ID7k5w20wN879sbGDYhQIJ7ygybTdFTAxpJuo5rR-RSYU\\_aem\\_ARYnoCS3zLF1hGmVEIYoNbdaiSuWvEXR5nH\\_mGiNfbYlv12EQMyL0vLzBzOeHgVNlphFxJKAPrCqmyTQQT1R4dO](https://www.rochesterfirst.com/news/business/local-business/woodcliff-hotel-and-spa-wins-american-spa-magazine-award/?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAAAR3RM41VhNBme_ID7k5w20wN879sbGDYhQIJ7ygybTdFTAxpJuo5rR-RSYU_aem_ARYnoCS3zLF1hGmVEIYoNbdaiSuWvEXR5nH_mGiNfbYlv12EQMyL0vLzBzOeHgVNlphFxJKAPrCqmyTQQT1R4dO)

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (WROC) — A local spa was crowned winner in American Spa Magazine for the category of Best New or Newly Renovated Spa in the US.

The Woodcliff Hotel and Spa has recently expanded its salon to have more room for pedicure stations, hair stations and a separate salon suite for bridal parties. The expansion also includes a two story relaxation room with healthy food and drink options.

## Midterm Meeting Chair

Hello Ladies! Happy Summer!

We are wrapping up our negotiations with a new hotel for our Midterm meeting! But here are some key notes!

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It will be the Hyatt Place Hotel in Albany. The address is 82 Montgomery Street, Albany NY! It is a fairly new hotel...built a couple years ago! The Room rate is \$114 per night!

Because it is located downtown, they do not have on-site parking, but there is a parking garage located nearby. The parking fee is \$20/day. Lunch will be a cold sandwich buffet, with salads, soup, sandwiches, dessert, iced tea, water, etc. Once I have the contract in hand, I will send out the registration forms. Can't wait to see everyone there!

Renie & Lori

# Nominating Committee Chair

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There is not a great deal to report at this time. The Nominating Committee and I will be meeting on June 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> to start working on the slate of officers to be presented at the 2025 State meeting. This includes the Eligibility lists for both President and Nominating Chairperson, which will be reviewed at the Executive Board Midterm meeting in October.

Enjoy your summer – whether you are traveling or having a staycation at home.

## MSS Treasurer

Happy summer everyone! It's a hot one for sure!

Not much activity has happened since we met in April! The monies received for the calendar raffle and other convention raffles were deposited. Checks were issued to the two recipients of this year's scholarship, and have been cashed. The balance in the account remains at \$7,975.44 (as outlined in the may Presidential Papers).

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Looking forward to Westside Suburbans event!!!

Enjoy the rest of the summer!

Renie Cutt



# Twin Data Registry

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All the State Reps. should start reaching out to their club members and encourage them to fill out a Twin Data Registry form if they haven't done one. It should be on the longer and updated form, so if an old form was submitted, please have them do one using the newer form. The form is on the website. I will send them directly to the State Reps. when the Member Club Directory is finalized with the names of the current State

Reps. on it. If we can get a larger number of members participating, it may be worthwhile to promote it to outside researchers who are interested in gleaning information about twins. Thanks for considering this completely voluntary project of the NYSOMOTC.

Twincerely,  
Doreen Greci

## Webmaster

WE WANT

YOUR

FEEDBACK

**THE WEBSITE COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR HELP!!!  
WE HAVE CREATED A SHORT SURVEY TO HELP US  
UNDERSTAND HOW OUR MEMBERS UTILIZE OUR  
WEBSITE.**

**[CLICK HERE FOR THE SURVEY](#)**

**THANK YOU!**



# MSS Committee

Hola NYSOMOTC Members!

You might be wondering why is Myriam sending this article. Well - I have offered to serve as Acting Marie Simmons Scholarship Chair while the position remains vacant. The work of this important committee is about to get started.

First - Our CONGRATULATIONS to the 2024 MS Scholarship Winners: Jack and Andrew Koubeck, sons of Theresa Koubeck Nassau POMC. The lucky winner of the Calendar Dates raffle was Jeannine Kellenberger MOTC Suffolk.

The 2024-2025 MSS Committee consists of: MSS Treasurer/Vice Chair Renie Cutt; MSS Fundraiser Diana Donovan Campisi; Judging Members: Barbi Cudney, Shirley Savage, Sharon Witul, Nancy Converse and Michelle Burns (Alternate) I am looking forward to working with all of you during this new term.

Two scholarships of \$2,000 each are ready to be awarded at the 2025 State Meeting. Starting on September 1 st eligible students may request an application by emailing the MSS Chair at nysomsscholarship@gmail.com. The due date for the submission of the application and all required documents is February 20, 2025.

Checklist for Eligibility - Please help spread the word to MOMs with college children:

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 must have completed at least one (1) 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 (2) 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 20, 2025. In the lower left-hand corner of all envelopes it must be written, "To be opened by the MSS Chairperson only."

Respectfully Submitted,  
Myriam Lavora (MOTC Queens)

# Local Club News

MOTC Suffolk held their installation dinner  
on June 11 at El Matador restaurant.



MOTC Suffolk's new board:  
Susie Smith (Treasurer), Michelle Williams  
(Secretary), Ericka D'Auria (Vice-President),  
Diana Donovan-Campisi (President)

Ladies of POM of CNY

