

# NYSOMOTC'S 61<sup>st</sup> Annual State Meeting April 30-May 3, 2026

Holiday Inn Saratoga Springs 232 Broadway Saratoga Springs, NY 12866



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## **Hotel Information**

Satisfy your appetite at Bookmakers Restaurant, a restaurant where you can enjoy drinks at the bar/lounge and dine alfresco. Snacks are also available at the coffee shop/cafe. Complimentary Self-Parking available as well as an Indoor Pool.

Onsite ATM.

#### **Room Details**

- \$149 for Thursday Night, \$189 per night for Friday & Saturday
- Two Double Beds or One King
- Mini Fridge/Coffee Maker in each room
- Check in time: 3:00 PM Check out time: 11:00 AM
- Reservation Link: Holiday Inn Booking Link NYSOMOTC
  - ➤ For those clubs who would like to book their rooms through MOTC Suffolk, your hotel cost would be the rates listed above, inclusive of fees. If you would like to book through MOTC Suffolk, please complete the Google Form. All monies and form must be received to MOTC Suffolk NO LATER THAN March 1, 2026. **NO EXCEPTIONS**

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Please note that if you are coming to the State Meeting and staying overnight, you must book your room using one of these options. If you book your room using an alternate method, they will not be counted toward our room guarantees stipulated in our contract.

Room reservations close after Monday, March 31, 2026. After this date all reserved rooms are released back into general inventory and pricing is no longer guaranteed.

\*\*\*For those who will **not** be taking advantage of the option offered by MOTC Suffolk, the hotel has advised the following:

- If guests are making their own reservations, reservations must be secured with a credit card.
- If paying by check, the hotel would need to receive it up to a week in advance of arrival.
- If a club debit/credit card will be paying for the guest room reservations and the club is tax exempt, the hotel can send out a secure payment link by email for the room charges to be paid online.
- If there are multiple rooms being booked and paid by a club, the hotel can send out one payment link for all rooms. The club contact will need to provide the information on whose rooms are covered and whether they are tax exempt.

# Things To Do - Sites to See

## **Outlet Shopping**

The Outlets of Lake George - located on State Route 9 in New York's Adirondack Mountains just off Interstate 87. 1424 State Route 9, Lake George, NY 12845.

https://theoutletsatlakegeorge.com/



## **Boutique Shopping**

Shops on Broadway are just a few blocks from the Holiday Inn.

For full list see https://discoversaratoga.org



Saratoga Marketplace Life Is Good Silverado Saratoga Chocolate Saratoga Tea and Honey

Impressions of Saratoga Bahama on Broadway Saratoga Candy Company Saratoga Olive Oil



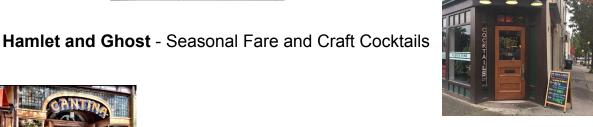
## <u>Restaurants</u>

Hattie's Restaurant - Award winning Fried Chicken, Jambalaya, Key Lime Pie





**Boca Bistro** - Spanish Cuisine and Tapas



Cantina - Contemporary Mexican and Southwest Food.

These are just a few. Many others listed at https://www.discoversaratoga.org/eat-and-drink/

## History and Culture

- Saratoga National Historic Park https://www.nps.gov/sara/index.htm
- National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame https://www.racingmuseum.org/
- Saratoga Springs History Museum https://www.saratogahistory.org/
- The X-Files Preservation Collection https://xfilespreservationcollection.com/





## **Theaters & Shows**

<u>Proctors Theater</u> - Proctor's Theatre is a theatre and former vaudeville house located in Schenectady. Many famous artists have performed there, including Mariah Carey, Britney Spears, Hal Holbrook, Ted Wiles, and George Burns, as well as many others. It has one of the largest movie screens in the Northeast. <a href="https://www.atproctors.org/">https://www.atproctors.org/</a>





<u>Palace Theater</u> - The Palace Theatre is an entertainment venue in downtown Albany, located on the corner of Clinton Avenue and North Pearl Street. The theatre is operated by the Palace Performing Arts Center, Inc., a 501 non-profit organization.

https://www.palacealbany.org/

<u>Caffe Lena</u> - Caffè Lena presents extraordinary music in an intimate setting steeped in history. It is widely recognized as the longest continuously operating folk music venue in the United States. The Library of Congress calls Caffè Lena "An American treasure," and they have been recognized by The GRAMMY Foundation for their important contributions to the development of American music. <a href="https://www.caffelena.org/">https://www.caffelena.org/</a>





<u>The Park Theater</u> - Built in 1911, The Park Theater is the premier entertainment venue located in the heart of downtown Glens Falls, NY. This century-old theater holds a vast and rich history within the community and has been revitalized as a destination for performing arts, weddings, events and more. https://www.parktheatergf.com/

#### PRE-STATE MEETING REGISTRATION

The 2026 Committee is introducing an all-inclusive registration which includes registration and all meal events (Friday Night Event, Saturday Luncheon and Saturday Night Event) for \$140.00 for members and \$145.00 for non-members. Officer registration fee (President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Advisor and Parliamentarian) \$55.00

This fee is non-refundable (NYSOMOTC By-Laws Article IX Sec 3). After reading this mailing, please complete the Registration Form included in this packet. PLEASE print clearly. We request that the State Representative for each club collect all the forms, review them for accuracy and send one club check orZelle to cover all fees.

Make checks payable to: Mothers of Twins Club of Suffolk County (Write on check memo "2026 State Meeting Registration")

**Zelle payments to:** nysomotc2026@gmail.com Please put in the memo your club name and "2026 State Meeting Registration"

Mail forms & check to: Susie Smith

All registrations must be postmarked on or before March 1, 2026.

Registrations postmarked after that date are subject to a late fee of \$10

Anyone attending/working the NYSOMOTC State Meeting must be registered.

No refunds on activities will be given after March 15, 2026

If you would like to make a donation to the Marie Simmons Scholarship (MSS) Fund, please write a <u>separate</u> personal check or money order payable to the Marie Simmons Scholarship Fund, with your registration. If the donation is "in memory of", please indicate the name of the person to be memorialized.

## ON-SITE REGISTRATION AT STATE MEETING

Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm – 7:00pm Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup> 8:00am – 3:00pm Location: Back Stretch Lobby

At registration, you will officially sign into the 61<sup>st</sup> Annual State Meeting and receive your registration packet. This packet will contain all items necessary to attend State Meeting activities. The State Meeting Program Booklet will keep you informed of all activities, times, and locations.

Your State Meeting badge must be worn at all times.

#### HOSPITALITY



Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup> 1:00pm – 5:00pm *Hosted by Diana Miller* Location: TBD



Need a quick break? Pop into our Hospitality suite for some snacks and drinks! It's the perfect spot to catch up with familiar faces or meet some new friends.

Quick heads up - we're keeping it simple this year with light refreshments.

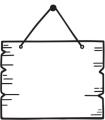
Hungry for a full meal? There are tons of great restaurants in the area!

#### **DOOR SIGN CONTEST**

Hosted by Sharon Witul

Back by popular demand! Each room is encouraged to participate in this fun activity. The theme this year is "Show us your Candidate(s)". In sort-of keeping with the theme of the weekend - "All The Presidents' Friends" celebrating Past Presidents of our State organization, each club's current President and all our "friends", we would like to see your own room Presidential Candidate! It does NOT matter if you are in a room by yourself or with others.... all can participate. You can have up to 4 candidates shown. Let us know who your room would vote for if one or all your roommates were running for a Presidential position!

- **1.** Decorate either a piece of foam core or poster board only.
- 2. Should be no larger than 13" X 13".
- 3. Add a picture of your candidate(s) at any age. If you do not want to use a picture, select something that describes them. For example, if your "candidate" likes cats, get a great picture of a cat to identify her. Do NOT use names or a very current picture of anyone for their safety. (unless you can hide them in some way).
- **4.** Either have a slogan or list 3 reasons why your candidate should win a Presidential race.
- 5. Hanging your picture is very important!! Have one member from each room mark their registration form that their room is participating. When they arrive at the registration table, you will be given 3M Command Strip(s) to hang it. It is the only way the door sign can be hung. IF YOU USE ANYTHING ELSE, IT WILL BE REMOVED. Be sure to let the registration table know your room number.
- 6. Hang your sign no later than 7pm Friday judging will be Friday night
- 7. Be sure to carefully remove it by 11:00 am Sunday.



## **RAFFLES**



## Where the FUNdraising Happens!

Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup> 10:00am – 4:30pm *Hosted by Myriam Lavora* Location: Show & Place

The 2026 Raffles Team is asking the Executive Board Members and Member Clubs to help us by donating gift baskets or national brand Gift Cards (Target, Amazon, etc), with a minimum value of \$25 per item, to use as raffle prizes. We know the gift baskets as well as the gift cards are a big hit with our attendees.

In this "room where the fun happens", members will be able to purchase their lucky tickets for the various raffles offered: the 2026 State Meeting, the Marie Simmons Scholarship Fund, Ways & Means and the 2027 State Meeting Fundraiser.

Please label donations - for "State Meeting 2026" or "Ways & Means" or "MS Scholarship Fund" or "2027 State Meeting" and add the donor's name.

Identification of each gift will help us to place the donated items at their correct raffles table. As thanks for your kind donation, the donors' names will be featured in the Presidential Papers and the members Facebook page. Thanks from All the Presidents' Friends, for your kindness and generous support during the past two years!

Upon arrival, please see Myriam or drop off donation(s) at the Registration table on Thursday afternoon or Friday morning before 9:30AM. Board members may also drop off their gifts at the Friday Board Meeting.

During the Saturday Afternoon General Meeting, the winning numbers will be posted at each table and the prizes can be picked up at the conclusion of the Saturday General Meeting.

## **WAYS & MEANS RAFFLES**

The Ways & Means Basket Raffle theme this year is:

"All the presidents' friends like..."

Once again we are asking each club to be creative and choose a basket to make, minimum value of \$25. Basket themes were chosen at Midterm. If your club did not attend Midterm and still needs to make a choice, please contact Sharon Wetzel.

There will also be a 50/50 raffle benefitting the Eleanor Siegel Memorial Fund.

#### SERVICE PROJECT



Location: Registration

This year's Service Project will be to collect items needed at Wellspring.

Wellspring believes everyone deserves to feel safe. Wellspring supports survivors of relationship & sexual abuse while working to spread awareness in our local community. Their services are for those impacted by domestic violence, sexual assault, trafficking, elder abuse, and teen dating violence. Services are free and confidential for everyone.

Items needed are gift cards, cleaning supplies and toiletries. Items can be dropped off at Registration.

Please visit their website for the wishlist for items that they are currently in need of: https://www.wellspringcares.org/wishlist/

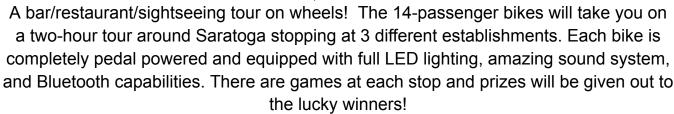


# **Brewcycle**

5:00pm - 7:00pm

Hosted by Kathy Brousseau & Sharon Witul

\$40.00



Please complete the Google Form to guarantee your spot! (Note: The Brewcycle is limited to 14 people. If this is filled, a second time may be added)



## **Mixology**

6:00pm - 8:00pm Hosted by Michele Camilleri

Location: Backstretch Lobby

\$20.00



Come sample the joy of Tequila as our own Mixologist treats you to three different creations made with Tequila. Your \$20 will let you sample Mariquita, a Tequila Sunrise and Rachael's High Impact Lemonade. Light Snacks will be provided so you don't over indulge, unless you want to!!

## FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2026

## FRIDAY EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

8:30am – 12:00pm Location: Win

All members of the Executive Board are required to attend this meeting. If you are unable to attend, you must contact the President, **Pam Reussow**.

## **DELEGATES/ALTERNATES MEETING**

6:00pm - 6:30pm Hosted by Ruth Barone

Location: Backstretch Lobby

This meeting is mandatory for all Delegates/Alternates, Officers, and Past Presidents who have voting privileges. Failure to attend this meeting will forfeit your club's right to vote. Voting materials and instructions will be issued at this time. If you are not able to attend this meeting due to late arrival, please contact Parliamentarian **Ruth Barone**, prior to the Saturday General Meeting.



## Massage

11:00am - 3:00pm (scheduled sessions)

Hosted by Kathy Brousseau & Sharon Witul
\$42.00



Location: Exacta

Enjoy a 15 minute chair massage from *Massage: Delivered*. Massage therapy provides relaxation, reduction of muscular tension or sore spots, increased circulation and flexibility, and releases "feel-good" endorphins. *Massage: Delivered* has a team of licensed massage professionals to serve your needs.



## **Sea Glass Painting Art**

2:30pm - 3:30pm Hosted by Kathy Brousseau & Sharon Witul \$45.00

Location: Quinella



For artists, sea glass is a rare and precious tool as each piece has a story about its journey over the oceans. Some folklore claims that sea glass is formed from mermaid tears.

Class includes an instructor who will be available for assistance while you make two 5x7 art projects. All materials are provided.

# FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2026

## **Book Club**

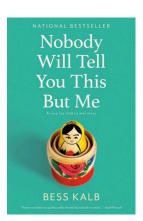
1:00pm - 2:00pm

Hosted by Katie Brick
Location: Quinella

Join us for a book discussion on:

Nobody Will Tell You This But Me: A True (As Told to Me) Story by Bess Kalb

Please join Katie Brick and others as you go over this "neat" book. It is a true story that is written in a different way that you all will enjoy. There will be many questions to ask. Including why it was written in the way it is?



The reviews are great, including book of the year by Vogue, Forbes, NY Post and more. As you read it you may recognize someone you know. Please read this thinking about some of the following questions:

- \* Who was the person you liked most?
- \* Was someone/something missing?
- \* Would you change anything?
- \* How did you feel when reading this book?
- \* Who would you recommend this book to and why??

## **SHOW & SELL**

4:00pm - 5:00pm (Set-up 3:00pm-4:00pm)

Hosted by Lisa Cartini & Linda Goldsworthy

Location: Hallway in front of Show & Place

To support our local clubs, we will have Show and Sell only for local clubs and their members. *No outside vendors will be permitted.* 

In order for this event to be held, we will need to have a minimum of 8 participants.

Clubs wishing to participate as member vendors must complete the enclosed Show and

Sell contract and return it with the necessary fees.

If we are unable to secure at least 8 vendors, we will not be able to host this event and the fee will be returned.



## FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER

#### "Meet the Candidates"

Hosted by Renie Cutt & Barbi Cudney 8:00pm – 11:00pm

Location: Daily Double

Come and party hardy with us, Delight in the night-Dance with all your might, with DJ Ketchup- All Right!!

Join in some fun Trivia, full of surprises

While "Meeting the Candidates", throughout the night.

Appetizers and desserts - Oh so yummy

But please fill your tummy first!

Enjoy dinner at the local eateries in the quaint village of Saratoga Springs!!

Reveal your patriotic spirit, while you don your casual

Red, white and blue attire - You're on fire!!!

Let your spirit shine - As you put on a show - Let yourself go!!

A cash bar will be available.

#### ABSOLUTELY NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOL WILL BE ALLOWED



## SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2026

## **OPENING CEREMONIES**

8:30am

Location: Daily Double

This ceremony is the official commencement of the 61<sup>st</sup> Annual State Meeting. We will open the weekend with the Presentation of Colors, the Pledge of Allegiance and a greeting from a Local Dignitary.

#### SATURDAY GENERAL MEETING

8:45am – 11:30am - Morning Session Lunch Break
1:45pm – 5:00pm - Afternoon Session

It is important that this General Meeting begin *promptly* at 8:45 AM. The afternoon session is scheduled to resume at 1:45 PM SHARP.

To vote at the meeting, delegates and alternates MUST have registered and picked up their packets from the Parliamentarian that were handed out at the end of the Friday board meeting and be present during the AM and PM Roll Call.

Delegates, Alternates and Past Presidents are asked to sit in the reserved area.

This meeting is where we discuss the operation of the organization, reports are given, bylaw/standing rules are amended, elections are held and awards are presented. Any new information or announcements that may be of interest will be provided.

All state club members should attend this meeting.

Continental Breakfast will be available during the AM Session

#### SATURDAY LUNCHEON



#### **Press Conference**

Hosted by Lisa Cartini & Linda Goldsworthy
12:00pm – 1:30pm

Location: Bookmakers



Following the hot luncheon buffet, a Press Conference will be held.

This Press Conference will be moderated by a Past President and we have invited a diverse group of multimedia journalists from across NYS. The journalists have prepared questions for the attendees in the room.

The combination of the Press Conference and luncheon is sure to be entertaining, fun and may even be informative.

#### Menu: The New Yorker

- BBQ Pulled Pork
- Sandwich Rolls
- Homemade Potato Chips
- Ice Cream Novelty Cups /treats

- BBQ Pulled Chicken
  - Deli Salads
- Sauteed onions, Mushrooms, Bacon, Cheeses, Condiments
- Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea & Lemonade

Vegetarian /Vegan Options Available upon request

We look forward to welcoming you.



## SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2026

#### SATURDAY NIGHT PARTY

#### President's Ball

Hosted by Michele Camilleri 7:00pm - 10:00pm

Location: Place & Win



Join us for a salute to "All the Presidents". This is the night we honor the local club presidents. It will be a **fun-filled** night with some laughs, some stories and maybe some tears! Dinner will be an **All-American** feast, starting off with a **spinach** salad followed by your choice **of** a Traditional Thanksgiving Feast of Roast Turkey & Herb stuffing, "50th State" Sliced Pork Loin with a pineapple mustard sauce or an "American Medley" of Vegetable Stuffed Bell Pepper with **balsamic** glaze. Dessert will be "as American as" **apple** pie.

A cash bar will be available.

ABSOLUTELY NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOL WILL BE ALLOWED

## **SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2026**

## SUNDAY EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

8:30am – 12:00pm Location: Win

All members of the Executive Board are required to attend this meeting. If you are unable to attend, please contact the President Pam Reussow prior to the meeting.

## What is the Marie Simmons Scholarship (MSS) Fund?

https://nysomotc.org/marie-simmons-scholarship/

The Marie Simmons Scholarship honors the Co-Founder of the New York State Organization Mothers of Twins Clubs. Two scholarships are awarded to children of multiple birth families attending college. These awards, offered annually on a competitive basis, are currently \$2,000 each.

#### **SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS**

- **1.** The Marie Simmons Scholarship Judging Members will review only completed application packets to choose the recipients.
- **2.** The awards will be given on a year-to-year basis. Scholarship recipients may not apply again.
- **3.** Award Certificates will be presented at the Saturday General Meeting of the Annual State Meeting to the recipient or appointed representative.

MSS Application Deadline is **February 20, 2026**.
For Application Information contact the Marie Simmons Scholarship Chair at <a href="mailto:nvsomsscholarship@gmail.com">nvsomsscholarship@gmail.com</a>

## What is the Eleanor Siegel Memorial (ESM) Fund?

The Eleanor Siegel Memorial Fund was started in honor of one of the co-founders of NYSOMOTC who passed away in 1974. From its inception, the fund has been supported by donations from member clubs as well as individual members. In 1976, the money began to be utilized to purchase recording equipment for the State Organization, and since 1979, it has been the source of a loan, which is available to assist future State Meeting hosting clubs with their initial planning expenses. Currently, the ESMF continues to be financed by voluntary contributions made in memory of a deceased club member, to honor or show appreciation for a club member or for a special occasion such as an anniversary or a birthday. All donations are recorded in a special book donated by MOTC Buffalo (now known as WNY MoMs), which is displayed at the State Meetings.

Donations may be made by name or anonymously and any amount is much appreciated. Some clubs send a regular annual contribution regardless of reason. Checks, accompanied by the donor's information, may be sent to the State Treasurer.

# Need to figure out how many State Meetings you have attended? Use this list to help you find out!!

1966	Yonkers	1989	Nassau Co. MOTC – A Roaring Good Time	2010 NYSOMOTC Past Presidents  – The Journey Continues
1967	Gr. Rochester MOTC	1990	So. Tier MOTC – Come To	(45 <sup>th</sup> Anniv)
1968	So. Tier MOTC – Spring Is Here	1991	The Tier For The 25 <sup>th</sup> Year  Kins of Twins – Country Fun	2011 POM of CNY – Turtles Just Wanna Have Fun
1969	MOTC Buffalo – Queen For A Day		MOTC Buffalo – The Winner	2012 Nassau Co. MOTC – Time To Renew In 2.0.1.2.
1970	TNT of CNY – We'll	1002	Is You	2013 MOTC Buffalo – Roaring 20s
	Measure Up In '70	1993	Jefferson Co. MOTC – A Bridge Into The Future	At The Roaring Niagara
1971	MOTC Suffolk – Sunny Suffolk	1994	Staten Is. MOTC – Party Hardy	2014 Genesee Country & Westside Suburban MOTCs – Disney Dream In 2014
1972	Chemung Valley MOTC - Play Hooky In '72	1995	TNT of CNY – Magic Live In '95 (30th Anniv.)	2015 TNT of CNY – Back To The Beginning (50 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.)
1973	Westside Suburban MOTC – Go Country Style	1996	Gr. Rochester MOTC -	2016 MOTC Suffolk – Sweet 16
1974	Mohawk Valley MOTC – Up, Up and Away	1997	Picture This In '96  Nassau Co. MOTC –	2017 Gr. Rochester MOTC – Flip Flop To The Lake
1975	Schenectady MOTC – A Twin B'day Party	1998	Cruising to Nassau, L.I. So. Chauttaqua MOTC –	2018 NYSOMOTC Executive Board – Back To The Future
1976	MOTC Buffalo – Twin Spirit In Buffalo	1999	Feeling Great In '98 Schenectady MOTC –	2019 Schenectady MOTC – Saratoga Scene
1977	TNT of CNY – Twice As Nice	2000	Double Time In '99  MOTC Buffalo – Buffalo	2020 Virtual Executive Board  Meeting due to Pandemic
1978	Staten Is. MOTC – Great In '78	2001	Rodeo (35 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.)  So. Tier MOTC – Laugh &	(via Zoom)
1979		2001	Have Fun In 2001	2021 Virtual State Meeting due to Pandemic (via Zoom)
	Broome	2002	Westside Suburban MOTC – Let The Sun Shine On You	2022 POM CNY - Looking For You In 2022
1980	So. Chauttaqua/ Dan-Way-Co MOTCs – Join Our Pow Wow	2003	In 2002 TNT of CNY – Pamper Me In 2003	2023 Buffalo or Bust – Ain't no Stopping Us Now
1981	Gr. Rochester MOTC – Meet Us At Home Plate	2004	MOTCs of Queens, Suffolk	2024 MOTC Suffolk - Broadway Bound
1982	MOTC Suffolk – Sail Into Suffolk		Co., Nassau Co., TWINrific MOMs, T&T SOS, Staten Is. MOMs – Mardi Gras &	2025 Westside Suburban MOTC - Shine Bright Like a Diamond
1983	Westside Suburban MOTC – Over The Rainbow	2005	More In 2004  Dutchess Co. MOMs –	
1984	So. Chauttaqua MOTC – Stomp Into Chauttaqua		History & Mystery Come Alive In 2005 (40 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.)	Total of State Meetings attended
1985	Schenectady MOTC – Tiptoe Thru The Tulips	2006	Schenectady MOTC – Love The Flicks In 2006	
1986	MOTC Buffalo - Rock & Roll With Buffalo	2007	Kins of Twins – A Little Bit Of Heaven In 2007	
1987	TNT of CNY – Let's Meet At The Heart	2008	Capital District MOTC – Out of the States In 2008	
1988	MOTC Queens – Bite Of The	2009	Gr. Rochester MOTC – Turn	

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