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A Friendly Reminder...

JANUARY 2026

- 1- Clubs begin discussing hosting 2028 State Meeting
- 13- January/February Presidential Papers distributed

February 2026

- 1- Midterm board meeting minute distributed by recording secretary; mailing of credential documents to officers; past presidents and member clubs.
- 10- Newsletter articles due to the editor, reminders for 2026 State Meeting.
- 20- MSS Applications due to MSS Chairperson.

March 2026

- 1-2026 State Meeting Registration due; Agenda items due to President; Credentials due to Parliamentarian; Club Scrapbook entry forms due to Chairperson; Newsletter Contest entry form due to Chairperson; Show and Sell Registrations due; Program booklet information due to State Meeting Chairpersons.
- 9- March/ April Presidential Papers Distributed
- 15- MSS Calendar Packet and monies due to MSS Fundraiser Chairperson; Names due to Certificates Chairperson
- 26- MSS Fundraiser Chairperson sends calendar money to MSS Treasurer; State Meeting Registration/Attendance list is sent to Parliamentarian, President, and Membership Pins Chair; Executive Board member reports due to Webmaster; year-end vouchers due to President; Clubs prepare for contests and Raffles Auction Basket; Club interested in hosting 2028 State Meeting to notify President and prepare a presentation for the 2026 Saturday General Meeting

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President's Letter

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Happy New Year Everyone!

I hope you all had a great December with your family and friends. A new year is ahead of us!

I am looking forward to our 2026 State Meeting in Saratoga Springs hosted by our

Past Presidents. They are working very hard on making it a great weekend for all of us. Please plan to attend and enjoy what they have in store for you. Saratoga Springs has much to offer. Come early and enjoy the shopping and restaurants just a short walk from our hotel.

Now is the time to talk to your club members or a friend from across the state to put in a bid for Co-Chairing hosting our 2028 Convention. Please email me as soon as possible if you would like to put in a bid at our 2026 State Meeting.

I would like to say I am enjoying working with all of the various ladies on our committee from across the state. They volunteered to take on a position for the 2027 State Meeting that Lori Connolly and myself are hosting. So many good ideas and energy from all of these ladies!

Enjoy the winter season and be safe.

Pam Reussow - President

Happy New Year Board Members!

Time again to get working on the business of the 3 upcoming meetings taking place at our 2026 convention in April. Question I would like you to think about. Did you enjoy Zooming for our Mid Term Board meeting? I know it was long, but we had lots to do. If we are going to zoom a meeting again we have learned some lessons and will need to make some changes accordingly. Please send me your thoughts.

We have a few committee meetings that we will need to hold before April. If you are on a committee, please try to attend. Without your vital input we don't have your expertise that we need on these committees.

Reminder, please check your email regularly from NYSOMOTC and if you need to send an email to a board member please put in the subject NYSOMOTC. That way you will catch our attention quickly.

Enjoy your winter!

Vice President's Report

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Happy New Year! Can you believe it is 2026? Hoping everyone's Holidays were festive and fun, celebrating with family and friends. In Buffalo, November's weather was cold and very windy. December is starting out the same way. Biting cold wind chills bringing our temperatures to single digits! This is when you wear your down coat, scarf, hat, gloves and boots. And when you get home, pamper yourself! Settle in with those comfy socks and a favorite cozy blanket. Get a hot cocoa, coffee with Baileys or something to warm you up.

Our 2026 State Meeting in Saratoga Springs will be here before we know it. Have you read 3rd Call? Is the excitement starting? State Reps - be sure to send 3rd Call to your club members. Let's get our attendance back to over 100! Keep those newsletters/write-ups coming. I certainly enjoy reading about your club and your club's ideas for activities.

We would love to see our NYSOMOTC membership grow. If you know of or hear of any clubs out there, please give me their contact information so I can reach out to them. I would like to tell them all about this wonderful organization that they could be a part of.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in Saratoga Springs!

Michele DelleBovi

As the Turtle Goes...

Chemung Valley MOTC - This Club does not have a designated meeting place - they meet all over their area. August brought them together at their annual summer fun day at a member's lake house at Keuka Lake. They went swimming and took a long relaxing boat ride while also making plans for their upcoming Club year. In September they met at Panera Bread and in October they planned a Friendsgiving, which was held at a member's adorable country house. We look forward to seeing some pictures!

MOTC Suffolk - In November they planned to attend Golden Girls Murder Mystery and, also had a movie outing to see "Wicked". Plans were being made to have Friendsgiving. In December they had a Holiday Plant fundraiser. Their membership has increased by 1, bringing their total to 51!

Westside Suburban MOTC - At their November Meeting they had an appetizer exchange! Members brought appetizers along with the recipe. What a great idea! These ladies were planning their Holiday Party and decided to have a Crazy Sock Exchange. They also asked members to bring a 2nd pair for donation to a local charity. A January bowling night is being planned.

WNYMOMs - At their October Meeting they learned several techniques for cupcake decorating. November's Meeting was a Team Game Night with a Hospitality theme of "Fall Favorites". They also collected donations of winter hats, gloves, socks, blankets, etc. to donate to the Psych Center. Book Club met in November, and this Club also had a "Favorites Party". I bet if you ask a member what a Favorites Party is they will give you details. Plans were moving along for December's Holiday Party and Breakfast with Santa. Their Ugly Sweater Party is change to a Pajama Party for January!

Treasurer

Hello Ladies,
I hope everyone had a happy holiday season! Here is an updated accounting of the General Fund and the Eleanor Siegel Memorial Fund!

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General Fund

Opening Balance (9/30/25) \$2,705.42
Deposits:
Zelle pyts - Midterm Mtg (Suffolk/WNYMOMS) \$ 80
Midterm Registration Deposits \$220
Reussow Donation \$ 30
Total Deposits \$ 330.00
Expenses:
Check order \$30
Total Expenses (\$ 30.00)
Ending Balance 11/30/25) \$3,005.42

Eleanor Siegel Fund

Opening Balance (9/30/25) \$1,504.84
Deposits:
Midterm registration Donations \$255
Interest .05
Total Deposits \$ 255.05
Closing Balance \$1,759.89

All my best,
Renie Cutt
Closing Balance (9/30/25) \$ 2,705.42

Recording Secretary

Wishing everyone Happy Holidays and a happy, healthy New Year. Since the Midterm Executive Board Meeting, I have produced the first round of minutes. They have been reviewed by Minutes Approval, and I have received suggested corrections.

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After the holidays, I will produce round 2 and hopefully finalize them as soon as possible. Thank you for allowing me to serve as your recording secretary.

Twincereyly yours,

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Hello friends!

After some back and forth, we have finally been able to set up the ability to send money to the MSS Fund account via Zelle! Yahoo! The email address for this account to use for Zelle payments is MSSFPAYS@gmail.com. You can now use this email to send your calendar raffle or donation money directly to the MSS Account! Or - scan this QR code!

mssfays@gmail.com



The test was my payment for the calendar raffle! And it worked!
Here is the most up to date activity for the account!

Balance as of 10/1/25	\$7,329.44
Cutt Zelle Dep/calendar raffle	\$ 25.00
Closing Balance	\$7,354.44

Unity Project

Hello All Mothers of Multiples,

I would like to invite you to submit an article to Unity Book! Is there a special event that you enjoyed with your club? Maybe there's a member of your club that inspires you? Give your story to your State Representative to contact me. Your State Representative will get a point towards her Super State Representative tally and your article will get passed on to our State Editor and be published in an upcoming issue of the Presidential Papers! Jane Martinec, Unity Book Chair

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Submissions:

Something to keep in mind for the New Year!

Each of you are special in your own way
Instead of wishing and hoping for more, be grateful for what you do have, it is more than others have.
Never take for granted that which you have been given for it can be gone in an instant!
Love the people important to you.
Hate is a dangerous emotion!



Scrapbook Contest

“Mom-Oval Office Moments”
(Capturing Joy, Friendship, and Laughter of Moms of Multiples)

CLUB SCRAPBOOK PAGE CONTEST

Rules:

- Must be a scrapbook page not larger than 12 x 12*
- It must have your MOTC name on it as well as the theme's name.
- Entry forms must be returned electronically or by U.S Mail
- Only entries sent in on time will be judged
- The theme for this year's Scrapbook Page Contest is:
 - Mom-Oval Office Moments
- Judging Criteria:
 - Identification (MOTC's name and Theme Name)
 - Presentation, Visual Appeal, Theme, Overall Style, Pride
- Member's Choice Award: Members vote for the scrapbook page of choice. The ballot is included in the registration packet.

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Return the form below by March 1st to:
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Club's Name:

State Representative: _

Person Responsible for the Scrapbook Page:

- Address:

Phone:

E-mail:

Thanks,
Cathy Marsicano

2026 State Meeting

2026 STATE MEETING

APRIL 30 – MAY 3, 2026

Please see your email for Third Call which was sent out on December 1 by Ruth and Kathy with the subject line NYSOMOTC 2026 State Meeting Third Call. If you did not receive it, please check your Spam folder first. If it's not there, let one of us know.

Key dates to be aware of:

* Registration due by Sunday, March 1

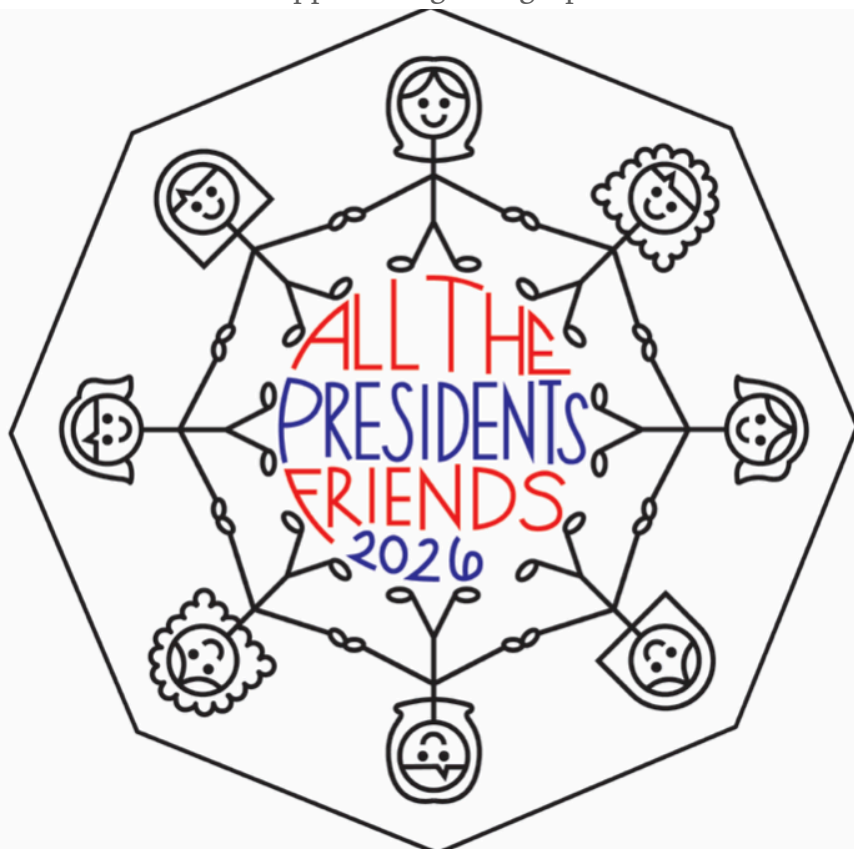
* Hotel room booking (if booking with MOTC Suffolk) due by Sunday, March 1

* Hotel room booking (if not booking with MOTC Suffolk) is due by Tuesday, March 31. To book Holiday Inn Booking Link - NYSOMOTC

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED: Please consider placing an ad in the 2026 State Meeting program booklet. This can be by an individual(s) or your club. You can do a “shout out” to your local club President, who we will be honoring at our Saturday Night event. These ads help to offset the printing cost of the program booklet.

We hope to see you “in the room where it happens” beginning April 28 th !

Ruth and Kathy



Marie Simmons Scholarship

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Cheers to the New year - 365 New days, 365 New chances....

A friendly reminder: the deadline to submit the scholarship application with the required documents is February 20th . For additional information, please contact the MSS Chairperson at nysomsscholarship@gmail.com

The Calendar Fundraiser is on-going. Please support the scholarship fund by purchasing your special dates at 2 for \$5. The drawing will take place at the State Meeting in April. The MSS Scholarship Committee is grateful for all of your contributions. Wishing you and your loved ones a healthy and prosperous 2026. Peace at home and abroad.

Myriam Lavora

MS Scholarship Committee Chairperson

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Myriam Lavora

Nominating Chair

Dear Ladies of the Executive Board,

Currently we have one vacancy on the Executive Board; it is for Twin Data Registry. If you are interested in this position or know someone who is, please contact The purpose of this position is to collect Twin Data Registry forms from member clubs and maintain a current data base.

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Please note the following three links to the relevant positions related to this committee which will assist you.

[Board Position Descriptions | NYSOMOTC](#)

[42B-TwinDATAForm-2022final.pdf](#)

[40B-MANUAL-RESUME-2023-1023.pdf](#)

Soon I will be notifying nominating committee members of their responsibilities as we head towards convention. Happy holidays to you and your precious families.

Respectfully Submitted, Barbi Cudney

Future State Meeting Committee

Ensuring the Future of Our NYSOMOTC State Meetings: Embracing Change for a Sustainable Tomorrow

For over 60 years, NYSOMOTC annual State Meetings have brought us together, creating cherished memories and strengthening the bonds within our community. However, with declining club memberships and State Meeting attendance, hosting these events has become increasingly challenging for our clubs.

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To ensure the sustainability of these treasured gatherings, a dedicated committee has been formed to explore new approaches to future State Meetings. This committee is considering several key changes, which will eventually be presented to the Executive Board and general membership for their consideration and possible approval.

Here's a glimpse into what the committee is considering as part of their proposal:

- **Shorter State Meeting:** The State Meeting will be streamlined to two days, allowing for a more focused and manageable experience.
- **Restructured Board Meetings:** To maximize State Meeting time, the Friday Executive Board meeting will be held virtually before the State Meeting, and the Sunday Executive Board meeting will take place virtually after the State Meeting concludes.
- **Streamlined Activities:** Some State Meeting activities will be adjusted to be more manageable with lower attendance, but maintain a valuable experience. This may include changes to offerings such as the Hospitality room, workshops or Show & Sell.

These proposed changes aim to alleviate the burden on host clubs or members while preserving the core essence of our State Meetings. More details about these and other potential modifications will be shared as they develop. We are committed to adapting and evolving to ensure the future of our State Meetings for generations to come.

If you have any feedback about the above considerations or thoughts on how we continue to evolve our State Meetings, please reach out to President Pam Reussow.

Interested in what hosting a convention looks like right now? See the attached State Meeting Chair Guidelines and State Meeting Guidelines. If you, your club or a friend from across the state would like to Co-Chair hosting the 2028 Convention, please reach out to President Pam Reussow as soon as possible, before the upcoming April 2026 State Meeting, to put in a bid to host.

Diana Miller

State & National Liaison

Future State Meetings Committee Member

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As you are reading this newsletter report, I have begun preparing the Credential mailing which will include the credential registration form (which will need to be completed and returned to me by March 1), and the duties of delegates/alternates.

As stated in Article XI AMENDMENTS Section 1. BYLAWS, the NYSOMOTC Bylaws may be amended at the Saturday General Meeting if written notice has been given to all member clubs at least sixty (60) days prior to the meeting. Below are the changes the Executive Board will be recommending at the Saturday General meeting. I realize there is a great deal of information included but remember these will also be included in the credential mailing which will be sent no later than February 1, 2026.

ARTICLE IV DUES AND FISCAL YEAR

Section I. DUES

Letter B

CURRENTLY READS

Annual dues shall be \$15 for a club with 1-10 members; \$20 for a club with 11-30 members; \$25 for a club with 31-75 members; \$30 for a club with 76-150 members; and \$30 for a club with 151+ members, plus \$0.25 per member as of June 1st of the current year. Dues shall not be prorated.

RECOMMENDED CHANGE

Annual dues shall be \$15 for a club with 1-10 members; \$20 for a club with 11-30 members; \$25 for a club with 31-75 members; \$30 for a club with 76-150 members; and \$30 for a club with 151+ members, plus \$1.25 per member as of June 1st of the current year. Dues shall not be prorated.

REASON FOR CHANGE:

With decreasing membership in local clubs and the NYSOMOTC organization, the expenses to operate the NYSOMOTC's budget cannot sustain necessary expenditures.

Article IX STATE MEETINGS

Section 4. INVITATIONS Letter C currently reads:

When a future State Meeting bid is unavailable to be voted on as stated in Letter B of this section:

- i. Bids will be accepted by the President until September 1st .
- ii. Notification will be presented to the general membership via an official correspondence by the President, listing the bids being presented.
- iii. The bids will be voted on at the Midterm Executive Board Meeting by the Executive Board.

RECOMMENDED CHANGE:

- i. Bids should be presented by email to the President and Parliamentarian no later than July 1st.
- ii. The first bid presented by email to the President and the Parliamentarian will be accepted.
- iii. In the event a bid is not received by July 1, the President will send an official correspondence to the member clubs stating they have until August 1 to submit a bid.
- iv. In the event a bid is received, notification will be sent to the general membership via an official correspondence by the President, listing the bids being presented.
- v. In the event a bid is not received by August 1, the President will notify the Executive Board via an official correspondence to determine the course of action to be taken.

REASON FOR CHANGE

At the 2024 and the 2025 State Meetings, a bid to host the 2026 and the 2027 State Meeting was not made. In both instances, someone stepped forward prior to August 1 to submit a bid to host the State Meeting. By holding to the September 1 deadline, the Host Committee submitting the bid for 2026 was able to meet with a potential hotel but they were unable to sign a contract with that hotel until after September 1 and could have possibly lost that date if another organization came in and signed a contract. Also, by moving the date to July 1, it allows the potential Chair/Co-Chair to begin meeting with their Host Committee members to begin their initial planning.

Article VI Executive Board Section 3. MEETINGS

CURRENTLY READS:

Meetings of the Executive Board shall be held:

- A. The Sunday after the Saturday General Meeting.
- B. The third weekend in October.
- C. The Friday prior to the Saturday General Meeting.
- D. At the discretion of the President.

RECOMMENDED CHANGE

- A. Within one week after the Saturday General Meeting via Zoom.
- B. Leave As Is
- C. Leave As Is
- D. Leave As Is

REASON FOR CHANGE:

We are trying to streamline the State Meeting. One way to do this is to reduce the number of meetings which are held during the weekend. This would benefit the entire organization. Also in Article XI AMENDMENTS, Section 2 STANDING RULES OF ORDER may be presented, approved, amended or rescinded by a majority vote, It does not state that this change must be published. However, I am including the Standing Rule amendment the Executive Board is recommending be made.

STANDING RULES

Section I. MEETINGS LETTER B

Bullet i

CURRENTLY READS

Registration and luncheon expenses of the four (4) Elected and two (2) Appointed Officers for the annual State Meeting will be paid by the State Treasurer, who will send one check to the host club to cover these expenses.

RECOMMENDED CHANGE

Registration of the four (4) Elected and two (2) Appointed Officers for the annual State Meeting will be paid by the State Treasurer, who will send one check to the host club to cover these expenses.

REASON FOR CHANGE:

Our funds in the NYSOMOTC General Fund are dwindling. One way to reduce the expenses we are incurring is to not pay the luncheon expense for the Elected and Appointed Officers. This expense was \$45 per person in 2025 for a total of \$270.

At the Midterm Executive Board meeting MSS Chair Myriam Lavora presented the following proposed revisions to the MSS Procedural Guidelines (Bylaws). The Executive Board moved to recommend these changes. They will also be presented to the membership at the Saturday General Meeting and will be included in the credential mailing sent no later than February 1, 2026.

8 Applications

Currently reads: Applications may be requested beginning September 1st.

Recommended Change:

Early Application: H.S seniors accepted by, and committed to, a college or equivalent, and students attending college, may request a scholarship application packet throughout the year. Application from a high school senior must include a copy of the birth certificates of the applicant and their multiple birth siblings, and their senior year high school transcript.

Reason for Change:

H.S. seniors and college students may request an application at any time during the year. The Committee agreed that we should require high school seniors to add the specific documents mentioned. It was also agreed that early application concept will help boost the pool of applicants

Applications Letter B.

Currently reads: Applicant must be a High School Graduate or equivalent and completed at least one term of post-secondary education. A GPA of 2.5 or higher is required.

Recommended Change

A high school senior applicant must be accepted by, and committed to, a university, college or equivalent. A GPA of 2.5 or higher is required. A full time college applicant must have completed at least one term of post-secondary education. A GPA of 2.5 or higher is required.

Reason for Change:

To further define the criteria to be followed in accepting applications from high school seniors as well as from college students

Applications Letter C.

Currently reads: Application must be completed and returned.

Recommended Change

Application must be completed and returned electronically or by regular mail.

Reason for Change

Electronic mailing has become a more predominant, popular and cost-effective way to send documents, especially for students with limited budgets.

Applications Letter I

Currently reads: All documents may be mailed separately, but must be postmarked by February 20th of the application year and must state on the lower left-hand corner of the outside of the envelope "To be opened by the MSS Chairperson only".

Recommended Change

...documents may be mailed separately, electronically or by regular mail, but....

Reason for Change

Same as stated in Letter C.

Local Club News



MOTC SUFFOLK HOLIDAY DINNER. President Diana with 3 members celebrating membership milestones, Susie Smith, Doreen Muscarella, and Lauren Oak



MOTC Suffolk Holiday Dinner. Michelle Williams with a White Elephant gift



MOTC Suffolk Gingerbread making



GRMOTC



GRMOTC November Meeting



Chemung Valley at our Christmas party at Darlene Gunderson's house



Chemung Meeting at The Elbow Room