

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 am.

Presentation of the flag by Matthew and William Nardone.

Pledge of allegiance

Moment of silence was held for the Past Presidents who are no longer with us.

Claudia Kelly was called upon for an invocation.

Bernie Ganino welcomed everyone to the 55th Annual State Convention. She mentioned that the declaration from Governor Charlie Baker had been requested but not received. She introduced the current State Officers who are as follows:

Vice President Julie Dupont
Treasurer Kristin Potter
Recording Secretary Leah Bunnell
Executive Secretary Jan Merson

She thanked the officers and mentioned that the positions of Membership Secretary, Parliamentarian, and Hospitality Chair still needed to be filled.

She introduced and thanked the current committee chairs who are as follows:

Convention Co-Chairs Julie Dupont and Kristen Potter
Historian Ginni Babaian
Jewelry Carla Gambon
Outreach Angie Callbeck
Scientific Research Jennifer Jankowski
Webmaster Kathy Johnson and Kristen Potter
Meeting Greeter Ruthie August

She introduced and thanked the current National workers who are as follows:

Convention Committee Ruthie August, Kathy Manger, and Heather McCarthy
Research Committee Angie Callbeck
Publicity Chairman Kathy Johnson
Bereavement Coordinator Patricia Mroz

Kathy Johnson was called upon to talk about National organization MOA.

Convention Attendance was announced as follows

Attending 81
Guests 2
MMOTA Chapters 13
Numbers of multiples 81
Number of siblings 57 with 30 boys and 27 girls
Twins breakdown

Identical girls 9
Identical boys 10
Fraternal girls 16
Fraternal boys 14
Sets of boy/girl 32

Triplets 1
Total number of children of attendees 219
Oldest multiples 52 years old
Youngest multiples 9 months

Chapter Roll called was as following:

Attleboro-Taunton 6
Cape Cod 5
Dedham Regional 5
Founding 2
Greater Brocton 2
Greater Nashua 2
Hampden County 2
MetroWest 26
Nashoba Valley 4
South Shore 2
Guests 2

Past Presidents were recognized and given gifts. The attending Past Presidents were”

Ruthie August
Gerry Zablatsky
Ellen Russell
Betty Beatty
Jan Merson
Joyce Mulroy
Claudia Kelly
Kathy Johnson
Kim Simonich
Linda Smith
Heather McCarthy

Old Business:

North Suburban will host the March Meeting

Founding Chapter will host the May installation

Bernie and the board are looking for a new meeting place in the Burlington/Bedford area. Bernie will continue to visit the chapters. Please get in touch with her to schedule a visit with your chapter.

Voter representation was brought up at the last general meeting. This topic will be the topic of the President's Meeting so if your President is not attending, please send a representative.

Liz Law and Sarah Pellegrini brought up the current MMOTA website and indicated that though it was password protected, a google search could bring up the information which had personal information on it. Kristen Potter said she would look into making it more secure.

Leah Bunnell and Kim Simonich were called upon to talk about the upcoming activities which included the breakout sessions, where the raffle room was and where the vendor room was.

The meeting was adjourned until 12:30 for breakout sessions.

The meeting came back to order. Leah Bunnell introduced the keynote speaker Justine Beauregard and announced she had 5 copies of her book to give away. Justine spoke during lunch.

The raffle was held.

It was announced that \$283 was raised for Baby T and a motion was passed unanimously for MMOTA to match those funds.