

Emerald Valley Mothers of Multiples Club

Monthly Meeting Minutes ~ October 3rd, 2017

President, Kelley Mendoza, called the meeting to order at: 7:03pm

There were 19 attendees present. 14 members, 3 prospective new members & 2 guest speakers

1st Vice President, Kim Baga, introduced our guest speakers and invited them to begin

Dr. Amberlee Taylor, North Royalton Pediatric Dentistry & Dr. Annelise Sullivan, Sullivan Orthodontics were our guest speakers. Key notes that they shared with us are:

- Establish a dentist relationship between 6 months to 12 years old.
- Age 2 is good age for 1st visit. Age 7 is good age for Ortho assessment to check teeth, bite, spaces
- Baby teeth are usually all out by 11-12 years old
- Recommended to use fluoride toothpaste when 1st tooth erupts; but ok to wait until approx. age 2
- Should brush 3x per day but Night Routine is MOST Important if only brushing 1x per day
- Spin brushes are 30% more effective to remove plaque
- Flossing is very important. Easy to use recommended products are “Gumchucks” & “Plackers”
- ACT Flouride Rinse is good to use 2x per day if child can rinse & spit
- Water is BEST choice – already contains fluoride! Juice, Gatorade etc contain a lot of sugar
- Xylitol is a great choice for a sugar substitute. Helps prevent tooth decay!
- If Permanent tooth falls out – best to put tooth in glass of milk & call dentist asap to reimplant

EV members were very receptive to our speakers and asked several questions. Upon wrapping up the discussion, our speakers handed out toothbrushes & pens to all members that were in attendance.

Our 1st Vice President, Kim Baga, presented each speaker with a thank you note.

Executive Board Members Reports:

President: Kelley Mendoza

Kelley welcomed everyone and announced that the OFMOTC fall board meeting is Oct 20-21, 2017 at the Holiday Inn Worthington. Currently Kelley, Sheri, Tracey and Jennifer will be attending.

1st Vice President: Kim Baga

An Estate Planning Attorney will be speaking at the November meeting. More information will be announced in the November newsletter.

2nd Vice President: Jeanette Louis

Jeanette introduced our 3 prospective new members that were in attendance.

Katie Hardin has boy/girl 2 yr old twins and joined EV tonight. Debbie Jenkins is expecting in March. And Jennifer Long has 16 mo. old identical boys and a 2 yr old girl. Debbie & Jennifer also plan to join.

Secretary: Sheri Bickerton

No report

Treasurer: Katy Baddorf

Beginning Balance \$10,658.89

Withdraw \$235.80

Ending Balance \$10,423.09

Alumni Advisor: Rikki Price

Not in Attendance

Trustee #1: Tracey Miller

No report

Trustee #2: Jennifer French

No Report

GENERAL BOARD COMMITTEE:

Fundraising Primary - Christine Mazzeo

A bag was sent around the room asking for contributions. Money collected will be used for lottery tickets and basket raffle items at our Spring Wing Night fundraiser. Christine is looking for help from anyone who can help collect items for the fundraiser. Please contact Christine. She currently has a donation letter drafted and will post soon. She only has 1 person to helping so far.

Fundraising Secondary - Kelley St. Clair

Still questioning the Tax ID before Amazon Smile can be set up. Kim Baga announced that she will research the Tax ID link that the IRS has between EV and OFMOTC.

Historian: Kim DeGross

Kim announced that she will not be at the Fall party. She is requesting that pics from the party get posted on the EV members only page.

March of Dimes: Katy Baddorf

The March for Babies Walk is set for April 29th, 2018.

Browns Tickets can be purchased for Sun., Oct. 8, 2017. A portion will be donated to March of Dimes.

October is Infant Loss Awareness month. Thoughts & prayers to all those

Mentoring: Jeanette Louis

Jeanette explained the mentoring program to our 3 prospective members to let them know that if they join and are interested in the mentoring program, that they would be paired up with a seasoned member whom they could lean on for questions, advice and the opportunity to learn more about the club. Mentors will periodically check in with their mentees with the intent of getting them more acclimated with the club and keep them informed of upcoming Emerald Valley events, social outings and club information. If any other current members are interested in becoming a Mentor to a new member, please let Jeanette know.

Mother of the Year: Jennifer French

No Report

Newsletter: Sheri Bickerton

Please continue to email your newsletter articles to me by the 20th of each month. Send your social events for the calendar to Courtney Gall by the 15th of each month.

Parties: Courtney Gall

Fall Party – Ramseyer Farm, Sunday, October 15th 1-5pm. \$6 per person - 2 and under free! Their most current address is 4000 Ramseyer Lane, Wooster, OH. If your GPS is not updated with this address, you can use 3488 Akron Rd, Wooster, OH. Either address will get you to the farm! There are 39 paid attendees as of tonight’s meeting in addition to a few more payments from members who stated they are mailing their fall party payment to the PO Box before the RSVP deadline of October 9th. The Red Barn has been reserved for Emerald Valley. Light snacks and beverages will be provided in the barn. There are several food trucks and vendors on site plus there are over 40 family fun activities to enjoy!!

Christmas Party - December 17th 5:30pm-7:30pm - cookies and milk with Santa in PJs at Jennings Senior Center. Route 21, Brecksville (next to St. Basils)

Philanthropic: Danielle Gomez

Danielle thanked everyone that made birthday cards for Confetti Foundations. Thirty cards are being sent out this weekend to bring smiles to kids who have to spend their birthday in the hospital.

Project Night Night – New blankets, books and stuffed animals were requested to be brought to the November and December meetings. Cash donations are also accepted which will help pay for the canvas tote bags that will be used. Check out www.projectnightnight.org for specific donation information. Great deals can be found around Black Friday!

Publicity: Katie Matson

New tear-away flyers were passed out. Please make copies and/or hang around town at libraries, grocery stores, coffee shops, play centers etc. Get the word out about Emerald Valley and our monthly meetings.

Social/Playgroups/School-Age: Courtney Gall

October 11th; possible playground meet-up

October 23rd; Cleveland Zoo meet-up around 11am. Cuyahoga residents are free on Mondays!

October 25th; Escape Room Strongsville - Mom's night out (see website and FB)

Market District Tour Strongsville; FREE - November 15th @ 5:30 pm

Special Needs: Christine Caudill

The Upside of Downs meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 7pm - 9:00pm at the Starbucks in Medina. You can contact Jamie at jamedanielconditioned@yahoo.com for more info.

Sunshine: Angie Davis

A good number of members signed up for the Meal Care Program. No new babies to provide meals to yet. If anyone else is interested in signing up to help with a meal if/when the need should arise, please let Angie know that you would like to be added to the list.

Twinsdays Committee: Christine Mazzeo

No report

Website: Rikki Price

If there are any questions on using the website please email or text Rikki

Is there any additional business that needs to be presented to the club?

Halloween costumes are on the back table for anyone interested in shopping!

Amazon Smile - what is the structure between OFMOTC and Emerald Valley? IRS has OFMOTC tax ID number listed under our name EVMOMC. Kim Baga will call and determine what steps we need to take to possible change our filing status so that our filing reflects Emerald Valley and our own tax ID number.

Bethany Joyal announced there is room for 1 or 2 more sellers at the Wayne County sale; October 14th

Sheri Bickerton invited all members to join us across the street at Two Bucks for additional social time.

The business portion of the meeting is adjourned at: 9:05pm