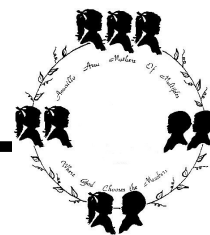


Pairs and Spares



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Don't forget your secret pal this month...it's the big reveal.

Amarillo Area Mothers of Multiples:

Where God chooses it's members.



Don't Forget:

Raffle Items for Sunshine Fund:

Jody Donna (brought last month because of my mistake)

President's Proclamation

Let me start by giving everyone a great big "THANK YOU" for your hard work on the garage sale. We appreciate your donations, renting and selling booths, setting up, working during the sale and cleaning up after it was over. It always amazes me what we can accomplish when we set our minds to it as a group.

There are several activities happening this month around town and AAMOM doesn't want you to miss out on anything. The Don Harrington Discovery Center is having an "Up In The Air Balloon Festival". There is a sunrise watch on October 14, it can be viewed at Windsor, South Georgia, Western Plateau, Puckett, Sleepy Hollow, and John Stiff Park. There will be a "Glow" at the Discovery Center at 6:00 p.m. where you can see the balloons up close and even crawl into the basket to see how it feels. There will be a mass sunrise ascension on October 15, starting at the High Plains Children's Home and October 16, starting at Palo Duro Canyon. The gates open at 6:30 a.m. and the entry fee into Palo Duro Canyon will be waived until 10:00 a.m. Any and all of the balloon activities are free. We had a great time last year even though it was too windy at "Glow" for the balloons to stay inflated safely.

Then we are off to Maxwell's Fun Farm on October 21, at 10:00 a.m. The tickets are \$8.50 each for everyone over two, but we can save \$1.50 each for a group over 20. There are a lot of activities to be enjoyed by kids, and parents, of all ages. There is a corn maze, hayrides, giant jumping pillow, pumpkin jumping, slides, duck derby, and many other activities including a giant corn box which was a big hit with the little ones. Several families did this last year and had a wonderful time. We will get a head count at the next meeting to see about getting the group rate.

Remember, we have moved to the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church at 6900 Hillside. Drive around the church and come in the entry off the rear parking lot. I am looking forward to seeing you all on Thursday and having an exciting month with friends.

Kentra

We Have Moved!

We now meet at 6900 Hillside in Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. Park in the back of the building and use the north doors. A huge thank you to St. Stephen's United Methodist Church for being our home for many years and for the hospitality.



Program Corner

Happy October!

Our kiddos are well into the new school year, and I'm sure you'll agree with me – it's amazing to hear about all the things they're learning each day. I can't believe my twins will learn to read this year!

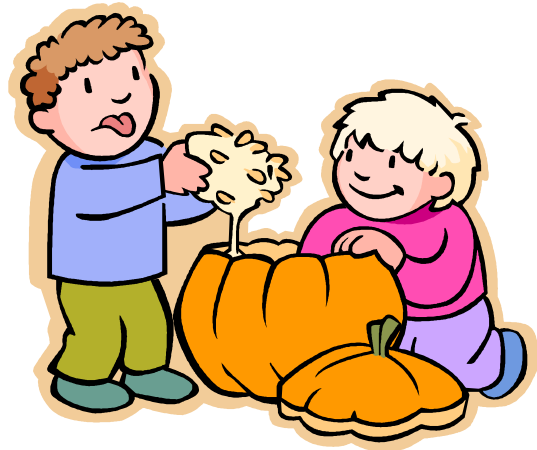
They say kids are like sponges, but it's interesting to evaluate the different rates at which our little sponges mature and soak up information that ultimately molds them into young adults. And there is a big difference between girl sponges and boy sponges!

Expert in child development Darrin Murphy, M.A.B.C; BS SPED, coordinator of AISD Behavioral Science, will shed some light on this subject.

Join us October 6 as Darrin explains the different ways in which boys and girls mature. The information will help us, as parents, guide our kids through their school years and their developmental milestones.

Bring your questions for Darrin! I look forward to seeing you in October.

Jody Reynolds



Just a reminder that meetings begin at 7:00. Please help us get started on time so our speakers can continue with their evenings

Board Meeting

Need another night away with friends? Come to Board Meeting.

Everyone is welcome!
Next meeting at :

Famous Dave's

October 20th at 7:00.



Fellowship

Snacks—Kim

Drinks—Kentra

TMOM News:

**Shelli's
Shenanigans**

Membership to our local club also includes membership to the Texas Mothers of Multiples and the National Mothers of Twins Club.

Hi MOMs!

Awe...finally cooler weather. I am so happy when I wake up in the morning and there is the chill of fall in the air. Sure beats all of those triple digit temps we survived this summer.

I don't think I sent out the TMOM summer newsletter. You can access it by going to the TMOM website. It is located under the members only section. Access is very easy. I'll follow up the newsletter with the access codes. It is a great and very informative newsletter and I'm sure you won't want to miss reading it. I do have to apologize that I didn't get our club put into the first newsletter of the year. Be watching for the fall newsletter...we'll be represented in it.

I hope each of you have gotten your kids settled back into the school routine and are enjoying these great fall days!

Multiply Blessed,
Shelli



Calendar of Events and History

October Happenings

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| 1 | Donna Peck | Birthday |
| 2 | Cary & Wes Edwards | Anniversary |
| 7 | Rachel & Kurt McElwain | Anniversary |
| 12 | Austin Jones | Birthday |
| 17 | Elizabeth Huseman | Birthday |
| 18 | John Massouh | Birthday |
| 28 | Lance Jones | Birthday |
| 31 | Jody Reynolds | Birthday |



Family Room Volunteers

We still need volunteers to work a shift. We have less than 5 who can consistently work on our assigned Tuesday evenings. Please ask Marcia how to get involved with this support for families.

- October 4th-Marcia
- October 11th-Kim
- October 18th-Claudia
- October 25th-Jody



Minutes: September 1, 2011

Members Present: Terri, Claudia, Laura S., Laura G., Maggie, Kentra, Shelli, Marcia, Donna, Lee Ann, Heather, Rachel, Taira, and Jody.

Guests: Bonnie Aycock

The meeting was started at our old location at St. Stephen's Methodist West Campus. The members went on a "moving" scavenger hunt to our new location at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 6900 Hillside.

Mixed Bag fundraiser orders were turned in to Rachel.

Members signed up to work at the garage sale. Rachel agreed to rent the booths to anyone who was interested.

Board Meeting has been changed to the garage sale set-up on September 29, 2011.

E.MOM.com (experienced moms which includes everyone) is planning an outing to see "The Help" at the Hollywood 16 on Thursday, September 8, 2011.

Kentra reminded us about Scrips cards. These are gift cards we sell for the face value and the company gives us a percentage for an ongoing fundraiser.

Sunshine Fund Raffle tickets were sold.

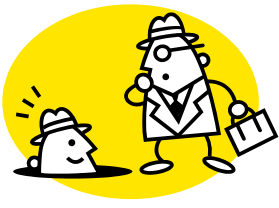
NO Board Meeting as we set up for the garage sale!

Scholarship Opportunities!

Now that your children are back in the school routine, maybe it's time for mom's and dad's to think about going back to school! TMOM has scholarships available for \$1,000 for deserving multiples or parents of multiples and all you have to do is apply! The deadline is February 1st, so get started. For the documents you will need, go to tmom.info, click on "Members Only", get username and password from Shelli and click on "Bette Ade Scholarship info"

Leslie Branam 832 577-4156
Bette Ade Scholarship Chairman





Secret Pal Reveal!



It's Time!

Bring your secret pal revealing gift this week and let a MOM know who you are.

Visit us on the Web!

www.amarillomom.org

- **Amarillo Area Mothers of Multiples** is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to unite in helping all families of multiples with the unique aspects of multiple child rearing and development.
- **A.A.M.O.M.** was established in September 1970 and has been active ever since. Our motto is "Where God chooses the members."
- **A.A.M.O.M.'s** regular meetings are the first Thursday of each month, and visitors are always welcome.
- Prospective members may attend three meetings and receive three newsletters before paying dues.
- Annual dues are \$25 for active membership, which includes all meetings, functions and monthly newsletters along with membership in the Texas
- Mothers of Multiples (TMOM) and National Organization of Mothers of Twins Clubs, Inc. (NOMOTC).
- Associate membership is \$12.50 for newsletters only.

AAMOM Meeting Schedule

- * First Thursday of each month
- * 7 p.m.
- * Prince of Peace Lutheran Church 6900 Hillside. Drive to the back of the church and enter the north doors.

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