



Multiple Messages

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A Note from the President

Hey Ladies,

Well, the first month of 2012 is over and tax season is in full swing. Hope everyone is collecting their information and getting some money back from the government. Anything fun planned to use that tax return on? I think we are going to try and put up a fence, but we haven't really decided yet. A few weeks ago we had a great time at our adult after the holidays party. We had fun eating, chatting, and hanging out. Thanks to Denise for opening her wonderful home to us and to everyone that was able to come.

On a sad note, Keri (our treasurer) will be leaving us at the end of this month. She has taken a new job in Louisiana and starts on March 1. Keri, I know you is excited about this opportunity, but we will all miss you. Since Keri is currently our treasurer we need someone to step up and take over this roll. The time commitment is only about 1 hour a month and she has everything organized and ready to go. Please let Denise or myself know immediately if you are able to take over this roll. Thank you in advance for serving in this capacity.

Since our normal meeting for February will fall on Valentine's day we will reschedule for the next Tuesday, so that will be the third Tuesday February 21st. We will meet at 7:00 at Chili's near the Tanger Outlets. I hope everyone can make it out.

Don't forget the conference is next month. We already have a room booked, with space for one more to help save on cost. We have someone going up on Friday and another two people heading up on Saturday. Let us know if you want to go and we can give you the details.

See you soon and God bless!!!

Summer

**Mother of Loriana and Alysiana (twins, 20 months)
and Braxton (6 months)**

Next Events

Monthly Meeting

Feb. 21 6:30-8:30

@ Chili's near airport/Tanger

Summerville Support

1st Tuesday of the month

Contact Summer

Mt. Pleasant Support

Tuesday, Feb. 28 at 6pm at

Qudoba in Towne Center

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February Birthdays

Noah & Payton 2/8/2010
Ella & John Concannon 2/24/2010

Siblings

Riley Miller 2/18/2008

PARENTS

ANNIVERSARIES

Denise & John Thomas 2/10



Please make sure we have your current information on file. This info includes your address, phone number, e-mail address and family birthdays. This will help ensure everyone receives all info and updates! We appreciate your cooperation on this matter. Any changes make o www.BigTent.com—membership profile.

January Meeting Minutes

January Board and Membership Meeting Minutes
Location/Time:
Cancelled since no one showed up
Meeting Adjourned
Minutes submitted by Denise Thomas Vice President/
Secretary

CAMOM January Treasury Report

Monthly Treasurer's Report Date: Jan. 2012

Beginning Balance:	\$3,558.52
Income:	\$23.97
Big Tent Dues	\$23.97
NOMOTC Dues	\$20.00
PSPM Dues	\$4
Holiday Party	\$24.88
Expense:	\$48.88
Ending Balance:	\$3,533.61

Merchandise Available

Contact Summer Reyes
or get yours at the next meeting

Ladies Shirts: aqua color

(There are also a few original gray t-shirts and long-sleeve T's in select sizes remaining
Long sleeve shirts at \$12 for s-xl and \$14 xxl)

Men's shirt: burnt orange color

sizes: small-xl \$10

xxl-xxxl \$12





Book Reviews from Amazon.com or a adorable book series of life with twins.

“I’m Having Twins is an inspirational children’s book about a 3-year old girl named Paris who comes to terms with her parents adding twin siblings to their family mix. The story begins as Paris learns that she will soon have twin siblings and ends as the family leaves for the hospital to have Her Twins. The book takes Paris through the trials and tribulations of a twin pregnancy from the big sister’s perspective and shows her how they are really hers, too, easing her transition to Big Sisterhood. It is based upon the real-life experiences of a little girl named Paris living in the San Francisco Bay Area.”

“Paris describes her experiences once her twin sisters are born. She talks about seeing her sisters in the hospital’s Intensive Care Unit, waiting three weeks for them to come home, why they came home at different times, and how she feels sharing her sisters with family and friends.”

SC Aquarium Discount for our group!!

If you are interested in membership to the aquarium, they have sent me information on a discount. Just mention that you are a member of CAMOM and this code (MG-11) and you will receive a \$10 discount.

To purchase a membership, call (843) 579-8629



Twins
 There's two to wash, there's two to dry,
 There's two who argue, there's two who cry.
 One's in the mud having a ball,
 The other holds a crayon, another marked wall.
 Some days seem endless, my patience grows thin.
 Why was I chosen to be a mother of twins?
 The answer comes clear at the end of the day,
 As I tuck them in bed and to myself I say,
 There's two to kiss, there's two to hug,
 And best of all, there's two to love.
 -Anonymous

Cranberry Sweetheart Scones—Family Fun.com

- 2 cups flour
- 1 tbsp. sugar
- 2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 4 tbsp. margarine
- 1 tsp. orange zest
- 1 cup chopped fresh cranberries
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 cup milk



Instructions

1. Combine the 4 flour ingredients in a large mixing bowl. Blend in the margarine with a fork until the mixture is crumbly. Using a wooden spoon, stir in the zest and cranberries. In another bowl, beat the eggs well and then stir the milk into them.
 2. Make a well in the middle of the dry mixture and pour the wet ingredients into it. Stir just until blended. Turn the dough onto a floured surface and knead a few times. Pat the dough to a 1-inch thickness. Use a butter knife to cut heart shapes. Bake on an ungreased cookie sheet at 400 degrees for 12 to 15 minutes. Makes 8 scones.
- Toppings

1. **Quick Strawberry Jam** Empty a 16-ounce package of unsweetened frozen strawberries into a glass bowl. Microwave on medium until the berries are hot and soft (about 12 minutes). Stir in a 3-ounce package of strawberry Jell-O.**Fruit Butter** Blend 2 parts softened butter and 1 part strawberry, raspberry, or apricot jam.
2. **Flavored Cream Cheese** Smooth 4 ounces of cream cheese with a wooden spoon. (Add a tablespoon of yogurt for a creamier consistency.) Fold in a few fresh or defrosted strawberries or raspberries.

Oatmeal Pancakes— Kraftfoods.com

What you need:

- 2 eggs
- 2 tbsp. vegetable oil
- 1 cup all-purpose flour, or 1/2 cup all-purpose and 1/2 cup whole wheat
- 1 cup rolled oats
- 1 1/2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 3/4 cup orange juice (preferably fresh)
- 1/2 cup chopped nuts or fruit (optional)
- 2 tbsp. butter

Instruction

1. In a small bowl, mix the eggs with the oil.
2. In a medium-size bowl, combine the dry ingredients.
3. Stir the egg mixture into the dry ingredients, then stir in enough orange juice to create a thick batter. Add chopped nuts or dried fruit, such as apricots, if desired.
4. Heat the butter in a large frying pan, then pour batter into the pan by quarter cupfuls. Cook until done, turning once. Makes 9 medium-size pancakes.





February 2012

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

<u>Car Seat Safety Check:</u> 1st Tuesday of each month, Babies R Us, N. Charleston,						
			1	2	3	4 Home Depot Kids Workshop 10 am
5	6	7 Summerville Support– Atlanta Bread Co. 7pm Contact Summer	8	9	10 SE Wildlife Expo	11 Lowes Build N Grow 10 am SE Wildlife Expo
12 SE Wildlife Expo	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 Board Meeting 6:30 @ Chilis by Tanger	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 Mt. Pleasant Support @ Qudoba Town Center 6 pm	29			

March 2012

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

				1	2	3 Home Depot craft
4	5	6 Summerville mtg 7pm	7	8	9	10 Lowes Craft
11	12	13 Board mtg couples dinner 7pm	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 Mt. Pleasant sup- port mtg.	28	29	30	

April 2012

Sun. Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

						1 Home Depot Craft
2	3	4 Summerville mtg 7pm	5	6	7	8 Lowes Craft
9	10	11 Board mtg 7pm	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 Mt. Pleasant support mtg.	26	27	28	29
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ALL NEW & RENEWING MEMBERS PLEASE READ

We welcome all Mothers & "Mothers To Be" of Multiples to any of our meetings or planned events. Our meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month @ 7:00 pm at St. Francis Xavier Hospital, West Ashley.

Our dues are \$25 a year which includes membership to local, state and national organizations. Dues are not prorated during the year. Dues paid prior to March 31st covers membership thru September and allows for back copies of the National publication. Dues paid after April 1st will cover membership through September the following year. The national publication, The Notebook, is mailed out bi-monthly beginning with the September/October issue.

Please contact the Membership Officer for more information.

Publication Information

Deadline for the newsletter is the 20th of each month.
Please send information to Kim Garcia at kgarcia2004@gmail.com or camom.org@gmail.com Please put name on all submissions.

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