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National Organization of Mothers of Twins Clubs, Inc. Honors Service Award Recipients at its 52nd Annual Convention in Charlotte, NC, July 22-28, 2012

(Franklin, Tenn. – July 16, 2012) The National Organization of Mothers of Twins Clubs Inc. (NOMOTC), the premiere nonprofit organization for parents of multiples serving nearly 25,000 members nationwide, is announcing key service awards at its 52nd annual convention being held July 22-28, 2012 at the Hilton Charlotte University Place, Charlotte, NC. The organization is recognizing and honoring those members who have voluntarily provided their time, talent and energy to NOMOTC and its members for the past 20, 10 and five years.

Twenty-year award recipients include: Patti Beemer of Colorado, Springs, Co; Terri Gillis, Orlando, FL; J. Susan Griffith, MD and Jill Heinx, both of Lexington, KY; Becky Seacrest, Longmont, CO; and Kelly Willenberg of Chesnee, SC. *Ten-year* recipients include: Beckie Dague of Aurora, Co; Noreen F. Konops of Las Vegas, NV; Dywana Saunders-Confroy, Richmond, VA; and Kris Ziemer of Eaton Rapids, MI. *Five-year* recipients include: Betsy Bird of Ooltewah, TN; Ann Hardesty, Georgetown, TX; Nathalie Klasens, Aurora, CO; Heather McCarthy, East Longmeadow, MA; Linda A. Payne Grise, Yorba Linda, CA; Debbie Reed, Lockport, IL; and Cheryl Schwartz of Henderson, NV.

These members have held various positions and offices within the organization such as President, Vice President, National and State Representatives, *Notebook* Editor, Treasurer, Advisor, and various committee Chairs such as Membership, Advertising, and Convention, as well as other positions within the many organization committees. A nonprofit, support organization such as NOMOTC provides many different support, educational, research and social functions for its nearly 25,000 members and its 70+ volunteers are the backbone to the success of the organization. President Pam Krell said, "Being a multiples parent is a blessing, however, it provides many challenges, particularly to new parents of multiples don't know what to expect. Having a support organization of seasoned multiples parents and caring volunteers is critical to meeting member needs, nurturing our multiples children, and helping to chart positive futures for upcoming generations.

The 52nd NOMOTC convention, hosted by the Charlotte Mothers of Multiples Club and themed *Life in the Fast Lane*, includes a week of pre-convention and convention activities specifically focused towards parents and caregivers raising multiples. These activities encompass business meetings, speaker presentations, workshops, tours of local/historical, including Kannapolis and the NC Research Campus, as well as networking and social opportunities with other parents of multiples from across the nation. Charlotte, NC has been the epicenter for stock car racing for almost 60 years and will serve as the backdrop for the annual convention. The racing theme will allow for unique and exciting social events, such events at the Charlotte Motor Speedway, the NASCAR Hall of Fame, and the Speedway Club as well a visit with racer Dale Earnhardt's mother, adding to the first-rate program outlined for the convention. The pre-convention activities will start on Sunday, July 22 leading to initiation of the official convention on Wednesday, July 25. The convention hosts workshops on diverse topics specific to parenting multiples to broader issues for woman such as running a home-based business. A sampling

of the workshops includes: "Twinsight, Not Hindsight", "Educating Multiples", "My Self, Your Self" and "Advocating for Special Needs." The convention will also feature, as its keynoter, Mary Elizabeth Murphy, CPCC, ORSCC, owner and managing director, S.T. A. R. Strategic Learning Partner firm, Certified Professional Coach and Author of "RESET Your Buttons." For a complete listing of scheduled events and activities, visit www.nomotc.org.

Opening Thursday, an informational Resource Room exhibit providing materials from each of the departments of NOMOTC and outside sponsors will be open and available to convention attendees.

For more information about this event, visit nomotc.org , e-mail nomotc@aol.com, or call 248-231-4480. Walk-in registrations are welcomed.

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About NOMOTC: National Organization of Mothers of Twins Clubs, Inc. (www.nomotc.org), the premiere organization for parents of multiples is a nonprofit organization, was founded in 1960 and is comprised of local clubs and individual members dedicated to supporting families of multiple birth children (twins, triplets and higher-order multiples) through education, research, and networking. NOMOTC is headquartered in Franklin, Tenn. and serves nearly 25,000 members in more than 300 clubs in 44 states across the country. For more information contact Kim Ozark, NOMOTC Executive Vice President executivevp@nomotc.org. NOMOTC Executive Office: nomotc@aol.com. Phone 248-231-4480.

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