



December 2017 Edition

Password: Supermom Annual Holiday Party

Please join us for some fun, food, and games with your fellow goMOMS at Pasquale's of Royal Oak December 12th @ 7pm! We will be collecting donations for this year's Adopt-a-family at this event. Please see page 2 for more information regarding Adopt-a-Family. *Please note: this party is in place of the meeting.

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Holiday Party: December 12th Pasquale's in Royal Oak@7pm 31555 Woodward Ave *See Evite for more details

January Meeting, January 9th Mom's Chat: 6:30pm General Meeting @ 7:30pm *Busy Bags/Vendor Meeting*

January MNO-TBD Week of 16th

<u>Meeting Location</u> Abiding Presence Lutheran Church 1550 Walton Blvd. Rochester Hills, MI 48309



Facebook search: goMOMs- Greater Oakland Mothers of Multiples Closed group-Please ask to join!



GOMOMS ADOPT-A-FAMILY

Each year, GOMOMS adopts a family (with multiples) in need. This year, we have adopted a family with a single mom, 6 year old triplet boys, and a 7 year old boy. They are in need of many basic household items. There is still time to contribute. Please consider giving and peruse the signup genius link: https://signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10c0c44aba72ca3fb6-adoptafamily2



<u>Play Dates</u> Looking for something fun to do with your multiples? Host or attend a play date! Play dates are an excellent way for goMOMS and their children to connect! To host a play date, fill out the <u>Evite Request Form</u>

Any additional questions, contact: Andrea DeBusschere, Secretary, @ gomomssecretary@gmail.com



Kroger Community Rewards

Register your Kroger card and help goMOMs with the Kroger Community Rewards card. Members need to renew their membership by linking their Kroger cards to goMOMs. Our group receives a percentage of all your Kroger purchases quarterly. Just follow the instructions below, then shop using your Kroger card! -If you already have a Kroger account:

- 1. Go to <u>www.krogercommunityrewards.com</u>
- 2. Sign in with your email address
- 3. Enter our organization number: 83164
- 4. Click on Greater Oakland Mothers of Multiples
- 5. Confirm

If you do NOT have a Kroger card, follow the link for further instructions HERE:

https://www.kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewards Now

HOLIDAY TIPS AND RECIPES

-Make food items in disposable aluminum containers for easy transport and less dish washing.

-use an app to keep track of gifts, budget, and make itemized lists like our GOMOMS Webmaster Lori does! She uses the Gift List app (lite) and so do I now ©

Recipe: Cheesy Pineapple Casserole

This may sound like a very odd dish, but it is a perfect side dish that goes beautifully with Christmas ham or even turkey. Nobody will believe something this strange could be so good. Bonus-it's very easy to make. Make the cracker crumb topping separately and add at the last minute if traveling!

http://www.foodnetwork.com/recipes/pauladeen/pineapple-casserole-recipe-1914797

<u>Recipe: Toffee Matzo</u>

This is a recipe you may have seen before using Ritz or club crackers. Try Matzo like Chef Andrew Zimmern does for a Hanukkah treat!

http://andrewzimmern.com/2014/12/09/toffee-matzo/

DECEMBER BOOK NOOK

Enjoy some holiday and multicultural-themed books this December. Happy Holidays!



Little Red Ruthie: A Hanukkah Tale: by Gloria Koster

It was a chilly winter in the northern woods, but Ruthie doesn't mind. Dressed in her favorite puffy red coat, she is going to spend Hanukkah with her grandmother, who lives on the other side of the forest. Ruthie is bringing sour cream and applesauce to go along with the yummy latkes. She carefully packs her basket and kisses her mother good-bye. When snow begins to fall, however, Ruthie is soon lost in a thicket, and realizes that she's not alone. When she comes face to face with a wolf, she'll have to convince the wolf that eating latkes will be tastier than eating her! (Review from A Mighty Girl blog)

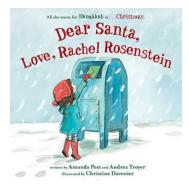
Reading Level/Interest Level Ages 4-8



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Santa is Coming to Michigan: By Steve Smallman

Read along as Santa brings gifts to children all over the state of Michigan. Many names of cities and local points of interest are illustrated in this cute little book. Reading Level/Interest Level Ages 5-9



Dear Santa, Love, Rachel Rosentein: By Amanda Peet & Andrea Troyer

Rachel is tired of being different from all her friends, and decides that this year, she's going to celebrate Christmas — with or without the help of her Jewish family. But despite writing a letter to Santa, and even visiting him at the mall, he never shows up. Poor Rachel isn't even sure she'll be able to enjoy her family's annual dinner at a Chinese restaurant... until she realizes there are plenty of her peers who don't celebrate Christmas and that your unique cultural identity is something that should make you proud. This heartfelt and funny story is an excellent way to share the many different ways cultures celebrate their holidays (Source: A Mighty Girl Blog) **Reading Level/Interest Level Ages 4-8**



Pete the Cat Saves Christmas: By Eric Litwin & James Dean

When Santa Cat gets sick, it's Pete the Cat to the rescue! Catchy rhyming text talks about the spirit of giving in an easy to understand way, along with Dean's signature illustrations bringing Pete and his adventures to life. **Reading Level/Interest Level Ages 3-7**

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Announcements

Expecting? Or delivered recently? Let us know, and we would love to share your exciting news with our goMOMS members. Please include your name, spouse's name, babies' names and birth information (date, time, weight), a photo and any sibling information that you would like to include. Send all information and images to gomomsnewsletter@gmail.com



Take them a Meal

For those times in life when filling their table will warm their hearts. Simplifying meal coordination so friends, family, neighbors and co-workers can show they care. Help out a new mom by providing a meal for their family when they bring home their new bundles of joy!! Or request meals after your delivery. Meals can be homemade or take out!! goMOMS uses the Take them a Meal website to coordinate meals for new families. Please contact the meal coordinators @ gomomsmeals@gmail.com to request meals or for more information.

More Information about goMOMS

goMOMS is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization. We bring together mothers of twins, triplets, quadruplets (or more!) for support in the unique situations we encounter with pregnancy and raising multiples. Contributions to goMOMS are tax deductible. Consult your tax professional for details.