

## THE INTERNATIONAL TWINS ASSOCIATION

The International Twins Association was originated by and for twins in 1932. It is a non-profit, family-oriented organization to promote the spiritual, intellectual and social welfare of twins and multiples throughout the world.

As we greet the New Year... let us reminisce about our trip to Seattle!

We would like to thank everyone for attending the 2023 convention in Seattle. We had a very good time in the Emerald city.

We started the convention on Thursday by first going to Woodinville (to the Wine country). We enjoyed nice comfortable and clear weather as we searched the area for food and wine. Many twins enjoyed the ice cream parlor while others sampled wine. After Woodinville we traveled to South Center Mall, Washington's largest mall. We enjoyed shopping and buying souvenirs. Everyone was on their own for dinner.

We started Friday by going to the Pier. There were many food choices and lots of shopping. We were able to enjoy the nice weather and the salt air. While we were there we ran into a lady that was celebrating her birthday with her four daughters. A happy surprise for us as they were two sets of twins. We posed for photos with them and invited them to come to some of our other events.

Friday evening was our first event in the hotel. We had a 70s themed dinner. Many people came decked out in great 70s fashions in amazingly bright colors. We played games and had many door prizes. One prize was homemade fudge made by Monica and Lindsey. Yum. We had photo backdrops that many people enjoyed taking pictures in front of. Everyone enjoyed chatting and playing games. We had our 50/50 raffle. After dinner we were surprised by the

appearance of the Birthday mom and her two sets of twins. It was nice to have some new faces. Hopefully they will attend next year. Saturday we started the day going to the Pike Place Market, home of the first Starbucks location. There are seven levels of shopping with all small mom and pop businesses. We had lunch on our own while at the market. After the market we went to Columbia Towers observation deck. At 900 feet tall the view is amazing. The 360 view included the Space Needle. Some twins indulged in some food and beverages at the observation deck's cafe. While at the cafe we met William who is a twin. We invited him to dinner Sunday with his twin sister. After the observation tower we went to the International Area. Twins enjoyed the nice weather and strolled the streets. Many twins went to Uwajimaya grocery store and food court.

Sunday started with the Gospel hour and a guest singer Saffy Wood. We had our morning business meeting then the twin judging. Sunday evening we had our That's Entertainment Dinner. We had the Silent Auction then games and dancing. The twin we met at the observation deck came with his twin sister (Whitney) as well as her boyfriend and another set of twins. It was nice to have more new faces. We enjoyed dancing, chatting and posing for photos.

Monday, twins met in the restaurant for breakfast and enjoyed good food and sharing stories. Monday night we met at the restaurant again for our Monday Night Supper Club. We enjoyed each other's company and look forward to next year's convention.







Twins at Woodinville Wine Country





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# 2023 CONTEST WINNERS & SPECIAL AWARDS



Linda DeWitt & Brenda Pritchett (FL) Most Alike Females ages 61 & under, Furthest Traveled (The Villages)



Debbie Zawacki (IL) & Donna Hyson (AZ) Most Alike Females ages 62-63, Longest Attending



Jean Kelly & Joyce Peterson (MN) Most Alike Females age 64, ITA Best in Contest



Doreen Basye & Loreen Johnson (CO) Most Alike Females ages 65-73



Karen Buskirk & Sharon Smith (OH) Most Alike Females ages 74-76



Frankie Pickelsimer & Frances Chadwick (GA) Most Alike Females ages 77-80



Nadine Abbit & Marlene Markus (CA) Most Alike Females ages 81 & over



Robert & Roger Griebel (IN) Most Alike Males ages 70 & under



Ronald & Donald Schweitzer (OK) Most Alike Males ages 71 & over



Cecil (VA) & Thad (TX) Slaughter Most Unalike Males all ages



Whitney & William Large (WA) Most Alike Female/Male all ages



Monica Czaplinski (MD) & Lindsey Cunningham (WA) Youngest Female (Monica, age 56), Shortest Distance (Lindsey, WA)



Jerry VanDenBerg (MI) Youngest Male age 60



Leland Oswalt (OH), Boyce & Royce Peeples (GA), & Brad Shepard (FL) Oldest Males age 72



Patricia Craig (CA) Oldest Female age 91

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Rosabella Norona (GA), Russell Scott (TX), Geneva Petit (TN), Leland Oswalt (OH), Diane Knott (CA), Brad Shepard (FL) & Sandy Meyer (MN) Surviving Twins



Roger Griebel (IN), Janet Goodrich (AZ), Joanne Perez (AZ) & Robert Griebel (IN) ITA Kings & Queens



"The Monday Night Dinner group enjoyed extra time together! ALL are invited each year for one more night of fun and laughs." - Connie Morey & Carol Bond

#### 2024 DALLAS CONVENTION





Ventative Agenda

Thursday, August 29 See a real Fort Worth Herd Cattle Drive in the Stockyards Historic District

Friday, August 30 Visit the Dallas World Aquarium & Zoo Opening Ceremonies, Dinner & Dancing at hotel

Saturday, August 31 Executive Committee Meeting Sightseeing bus tour of Dallas Visit the Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza, which chronicles the assassination & legacy of President John F. Kennedy

Sunday, September 1 Gospel Hour ITA Business Meeting ITA Judging Contest Farewell Dinner, Dance & Silent Auction





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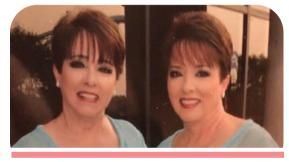
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