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The Aggie Mom Network -A reflection from Carol

My daughter, Julia, reminded me as she was applying for summer internships that "your network is your net worth". Nothing could be truer for Aggies. Everywhere I have traveled, I run into other Aggies that are thrilled to talk about their experiences. Just this summer, we were enjoying breakfast at a diner in Green Mountain Falls, Colorado when a group of 'old Ags' in an adjacent table noticed our Aggie Rings and our maroon attire. They were so excited to talk to us about their time in Aggieland.

Aggies everywhere celebrate their 'Agginess' by proudly wearing their Aggie ring. Ring Day has become a cherished tradition with thousands of students receiving the coveted ring each year. According to my Aggie sources, when an Aggie sees the ring on another Aggie's hand, a "spontaneous reunion occurs". Certainly, it has become the most recognizable symbol of the Aggie Network. Many of our students have already achieved this exciting milestone at A&M!

As an A&M graduate and Aggie Mom, I feel more connected than ever to Texas A&M. Our Aggie Mom meetings are also like little reunions as we meet and mingle and enjoy the company of our Aggie Mom Network. We are an extension of the Aggie family and serve a vital role in the support of our students.

October's program will be presented by the A&M Career Center. This resource is invaluable to all Aggies. Both current and former students can take advantage of the services provided by the Career Center. Here is a quote from their website. "Our Career Center and The Association of Former Students are working together to provide a team of career specialists that can help lead you through an extensive network of resources specifically organized to help Former Students explore, investigate, and effectively pursue job opportunities aligned with their unique career goals." <http://www.aggienetwork.com/careers/>

Come join us on Monday, October 9 as we hear about the benefits and services provided by the A&M Career Center.

In the meantime, we have Aggie Mom socials (Oct. 5 at the Braman Brewer) and football games to enjoy in the company of our "Aggie Mom Network". Truly, if my Aggie network is my net worth, I am rich indeed!

Gig'em! - Carol A. Gaas '85, President

Aggie Mom Camp February 2-4, 2018

Pass it back – it's time for Aggie Mom Camp! Our Aggies have Fish Camp, T-Camp or Howdy Camp to aid in the transition to college life and to orient them to the traditions at Texas A&M University.

In 1994, Aggie Mom Camp was created to help current Aggie moms to pass on the traditions of Texas A&M University to new Aggie Moms. Since then, this event has become a way for "new" and "seasoned" Aggie Moms to come together as a part of the Aggie Family.

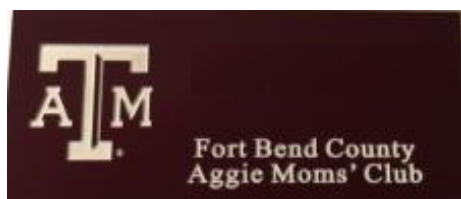
There will be speakers, entertainment, a campus tour, meals and lots of mom-raderie! Come join us for a weekend of "PHUN". This is an Aggie Mom Camp t-shirt and jeans weekend!

For information:
<https://aggiemoms.org/aggiemomcamp>

Deadline: Must be postmarked by January 8, 2018

Order An Engraved Nametag

If you have lost or never bought an engraved nametag, order forms will be available at our next meeting.



Aggie Mom Shirts Available to Order

Use the below link to access our Ft. Bend Aggie Mom Shirt Store.

https://www.aggestores.com/brandingmatters/groupproducts.php?prodgroup_id=15605&prodgroupbyass=true

Access Code - 2120 (if needed)

The store has both embroidered and silkscreened items for sale. Embroidered items have no minimum order, and will be fulfilled when ordered.

There is a 12 shirt order minimum on silkscreened items. We must have 12 shirts of any design ordered before they will print these shirts.

Shipping options include "Organization Pickup for \$0.00" or Shipping for \$10.00.

If you choose "Organization Pickup", you can either pick the shirt up yourself at Branding Matters or Carol Gaas will bring it to the next General Meeting for you to pick up.

Address for our provider:

Branding Matters!LLC
8034 Hwy 90A
Sugar Land Texas 77478
[281-494-7747](tel:281-494-7747)

Hours of Operation:
9 AM - 4 PM, Monday - Friday



Maroon Out Shirts

If you ordered a Maroon Out shirt at the August meeting, it is available for pickup at the October General Meeting.



Welcome to our Newest Members!

New Moms

Lisa Cates
Julie Goolsby
Shannon Gray
Melanie Hickman
Kunal Mahodaya
Christine Martin
Tilly Perez
Marilyn Rios
Karin Thornton



Like us on Facebook:

**Fort Bend
Aggies
Mom Club**



QR Code for Fort Bend Aggie Moms' Club

Install an app with a QR-code scanner to direct your smartphone's browser to the Fort Bend Aggie Moms' Club website.





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We will be collecting donations of themed gifts or cash for our Holiday Party Gift Basket Raffle.

Sign up at the October 9 meeting to help with one or more of these great goodie-filled baskets. This is a super easy way to get involved in Aggie Moms. Here are the Baskets we have come up with so far. These baskets will be displayed at the Holiday Party on Dec. 12. Tickets will be \$5 for a chance at your choice of basket.

- 1 - Diamonds are a Girls Best Friend
- 2 - Winter Warming Basket
- 3 - Golf Lover's Basket
- 4 - Holiday Cooking with an Aggie Twist
- 5 - All About Aggies
- 6 - Date Night at the Movies
- 7 - Coffee Lover's Basket
- 8 - Chocolate Lover's Basket
- 9 & 10 - Open for Adoption



Kendra Scott Jewelry - Pop Up Shop!

Kendra Scott Jewelry (First Colony Mall) will be attending our November 13 General Meeting with a fabulous display of jewelry that is perfect for Christmas gifts.

At this 'Pop Up Shop', Kendra Scott is donating 20% of the proceeds to the Ft. Bend Aggie Moms Scholarship fund.

Whoop! What a great way to shop for your favorite Aggies (and others) and benefit them at the same time.

Annual Holiday Poinsettia Sale

Decorate for the holidays and support Fort Bend Aggie Scholarships with our annual poinsettia sale. Poinsettias are available in two sizes:

6" Pot with Sleeve

-Approximately 14" tall x 14" wide
\$15.00 each + tax

10" Hanging Basket

-Approximately 30" across
\$38.00 each + tax

Monday, November 13

Orders forms are due

Monday, November 27

Pickup from 9 am - 5 pm at the Sugar Land Recreation Center



Yankee Candles for Purchase

Consider Yankee Candles for upcoming holiday gifts. The club receives 40% back off every sale. They have some SUPER CUTE Halloween and Christmas Candles which are great for gifts or holiday décor.

Aggie Moms get 40% of the sales back for Scholarships!

Shopping ends January 18, 2018.

There are several ways to make a purchase.

1. Go online to the dedicated fundraising site.
www.yankeecandlefundrasing.com
Enter group number # 990101579. (Cutting and pasting this number doesn't seem to work. It must be typed into the Group Number field)
2. If you want to send emails to family and friends to buy or sell, follow these instructions: Go to website above and click on seller button. Fill out Sign up to be a Seller Form, use the group number to register and you can have informational emails go your family and friends.



Welcome!

On behalf of **FORT BEND AGGIE MOMS** Group we would like to thank you for your support. Our group will receive 40% profit for each item you purchase. We hope you enjoy your shopping experience. Please share our group information with friends and family. Thank you again for your support.

Group Number: 990101579

Group Name: FORT BEND AGGIE MOMS

Aggie Goodie Bags Delivered to Campus for Finals

Support your Aggie during study week and finals with an Aggie Bag filled with goodies.

Also ideal for roommates and girl/boyfriends!

\$5.00 from each bag purchased will be donated to our scholarship fund.

Cost: \$20.00 each

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, November 27

All orders due

Delivery Dates

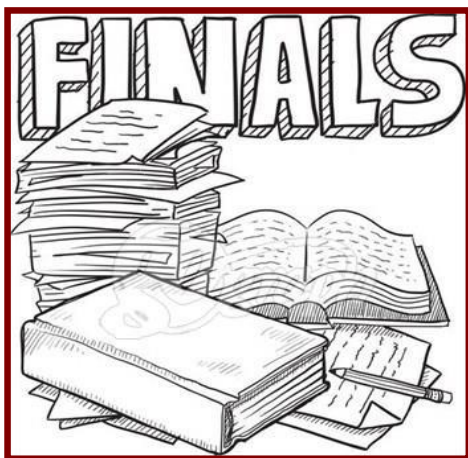
Thursday, November 30

TAMU - College Station delivery

TBD

TAMU - Galveston delivery

See the order form for more details!



Dear Aggie Mom

What advice do you have for my new Aggie?

The best advice I ever received was this: "The most comforting words in the Bible are..." and it came to pass".
I find it helpful regardless of age.

Sincerely,

Aggie Mom
Angela Harris

Dear Aggie Mom

How often should/can I call my Aggie?

Back in the day....many years ago, when I was in college . . . long distance calls were always cheaper Sunday evenings. If I was going to call home, that would be the day I would call.

I implemented the same idea with my Aggie, Dylan. When he was a freshman, I invited him to a Sunday evening phone call.

Yes, we can text, but a good ol' fashioned telephone call lets you hear their "heart" and how things are "really" going.

So we have a standing Sunday evening telephone call...sometimes long sometimes short, sometimes we are both busy... but hearing his voice keeps us connected.

Sincerely,

Aggie Mom
Brenda Crocker



Aggie Brags

Amy Dodson ('18)

Daughter of Aggie Mom Beth Dodson, received her Aggie ring on Sept. 22. Whoop!

Cody Cooper ('20)

Son of Aggie Mom Disiree Cooper, is now the president of the Aggie paintball team. They won 4th place at nationals in April 2016. Whoop!

Khamila Quevedo ('21)

Vamos Khami! We are all very proud of you! From a PROUD AGGIE MOM, Maryeli Quevedo

Aggie Mom Eileen Scamardo took a nice long walk with her Aggie, Class of '16 and Longhorn, Class of '17 (both had just graduated) this summer across Spain! They walked half of the Camino de Santiago, from Leon to Santiago de Compostela, and walked over 200 miles. That basically amounted to walking from Sugar Land to College Station and back, then around Town Center a little!! Took them 15 days versus the two hours it takes by car.

Jenni Scamardo ('16)

Daughter of Aggie Mom Eileen Scamardo, just landed her first post-graduation job. She is the Special Events Assistant at the Menil Collection Museum! Whoop!

Collin Haun ('18)

Son of Aggie Mom Allison Haun, received his class ring on Sept 22! Whoop!



2017-2018 Meeting Dates

Starting times for all meetings:
7:00 PM - Social Time
7:30 PM - Meeting Time

Monday, October 9, 2017

Monday, November 13, 2017

Monday, January 8, 2018

Monday, February 12, 2018

Monday, March 19, 2018

Monday, April 9, 2018

Monday, May 14, 2018

Meetings are held at:

Sugar Land Imperial Park
Recreation Center
Rooms A & B
234 Matlage Way, Sugar Land
(across from the Sugar Land Post
Office)



Ft. Bend Aggie Moms Club Social Events

Thursday, October 5

Beat 'Bama Bash
Braman's Brewery and Winery
3421 FM 359
Richmond, TX 77406
<http://www.bramanbrands.com/wine/tasting-room>

This casual atmosphere is a great place to mix and mingle. The more the merrier! Bring your friends and spouse for even more Aggie fun.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, November 9

Gig'Em Wreath Making Party
Location to be determined

Tuesday, December 12

Christmas Party - Sweetwater
Country Club

Thursday, February 8

Aggie Mom Painting with a Twist

New & Returning Members



Membership forms will be available for all new and returning Aggie Moms at all the meetings.

Membership forms are also available on our website, <https://fortbendmoms.aggienetwork.com/membership/> under "Membership" at the top of the page or attached to this newsletter.

Dues are \$25.00 per year. You may bring the form to a meeting or mail it to the address at the bottom of the form.

Questions may be directed to Lisa Gray at:
281-778-0377
threegrays3@me.com

Thank you for your continued support!

Boutique Items Available Online

The Boutique's online store is available for purchasing custom street signs, FM road and graduation year signs. The site continues to be available and is generating income for the club.

Please check out the selection at:

aggiesigns.org



Please take a few minutes to update your grocery cards to link to Fort Bend Aggie Mom's Club.

Update your Kroger Card each year so your transactions are directed to our club.
Ft. Bend County TX A&M Mother's Club
NPO number 88062

A Digital Account is needed to participate in Kroger Community Rewards.

Visit www.kroger.com or download the Kroger mobile app.

1. Select the 'Register' button.
2. Enter your information.
3. Select 'Create Account'.




Selecting an Organization

- Sign into your Digital Account.
- Select 'My Account'.
- Scroll down to the 'Community Rewards' section of your account page.
- Select 'Enroll Now' or 'Edit'.
- Enter the name or NPO number of the organization you wish to support.
- Select the appropriate organization from the list and click 'Save'.

Your selected organization will now display in the Community Rewards section of your account page. Any transactions moving forward using the card number associated with your digital account will be applied to the program. It takes approximately 10 days for the Community Rewards total to begin displaying on your receipt.

HOUSTON/AUSTIN



GOOD NEIGHBOR PROGRAM

Complete this portion to link your Remarkable Card to the charity of your choice.

You can choose to link up to three charities. Contact your charity of choice and ask if they are a member of our Good Neighbor Program or ask the Courtesy Booth for the GNP number of a particular charity. To learn about the Good Neighbor Program, go to www.randalls.com.

REMARKABLE CARD NUMBER:

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Don't know your card number? Call Customer Care at 1-877-723-3929.

Charity to be added to your card:

1. Charity # 12980

2. Charity # Ft. Bend Aggie

3. Charity # Mom's Club

Charity to be deleted from your card:

1. Charity # _____

2. Charity # _____

3. Charity # _____

APPLICANT NAME (PLEASE PRINT)

APPLICANT SIGNATURE

PHONE

DATE

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD RANDALLS COURTESY BOOTH

OFFICE USE ONLY: STORE # _____

COURTESY BOOTH: SEND THIS COMPLETED FORM TO THE MAIL ROOM - ATTN: DATA CENTER OF ARIZONA



Fort Bend Aggie Moms

Annual Poinsettia Sale



Celebrate the Holidays in Living Color and support Fort Bend Aggie Scholarships!

Celebrate the holidays with poinsettias in two sizes to meet your indoor and outdoor decorating needs. Grown locally, right here in Fort Bend County, so they are fresh and lively just in time for December's holiday decorating.

Generously sized poinsettias are available in red or white, 6" pot with sleeve for accent tables or fireplace mantles. The 6" size plants are approximately 12-14" tall and 12-14" wide.

Large 10" pot hanging baskets, spreading approximately 30" across in red or white. Perfect for a large entryway table, fireplace hearth, or conference table.

Order for your home or business!

Ask people with whom you do business with if they need beautiful holiday color for their lobby or waiting rooms! Order for gifts for business associates or family members.

Important Dates and Pickup Info

All orders are due **Monday November 13th**
Pick up **Monday November 27th from 9 am - 5pm**
Sugar Land Recreation Center
234 Matlage Way, Sugar Land Texas 77478

Aggie Mom _____

Phone _____

Payment Method/Check No _____

Brought to You by the Fort Bend Aggie Moms Club

Poinsettia Order Form

Poinsettias	Quantity of Red	Quantity of White	Price	Total of line:
6" pot with sleeve: Approx. 14" tall by 14" wide, generously sized for a table or mantle.			\$15.00 ea.	\$
10" hanging basket: Stunning display, approximately 30" across			\$38.00 ea.	\$
Tax 8.25% (Aggie Moms have to pay sales tax too)				\$
Total Amount Due				\$

Your Name	Phone
Address or Facility Name	Email
Address	Zip Code

Check No.	Amount
Credit Card Payments Accepted: Please circle type below Visa Discover Master Card AmEx	Credit Card Number:
Exp. Date	Security Code
Billing Zip Code (required)	Signature

Orders due on Monday Nov 13th Checks payable to FB Aggie Moms' Club MAIL YOUR ORDER FORM AND CHECK TO: Allison Haun 4103 Trent Street Sugarland, TX 77479	Pick-up Monday Nov 27th from 9 am to 5 pm Sugar Land Recreation Center 234 Matlage Way, Sugar Land Texas 77478
Allison Haun allisontracehaun@gmail.com 281-414-6818	

**Thank you for supporting
Scholarships for Fort Bend Aggies!**

Celebrate the holidays in living color!

Order gifts and décor now!

\$20 AGGIE BAG ORDER

Fall 2017 Aggie bags are loaded with goodies to help your students get through study week and finals. Besides being a great surprise and show of support for our Aggies, \$5.00 for each bag purchased will be donated to our scholarship fund. Order one for your Aggie! These bags are also great for roommates, girl/boyfriends.

All mailed and/or hand-delivered forms must be turned in to Lorri Henry NO LATER THAN **Monday, November 27 or they will not be included. We cannot accept any late orders due to the fact that we will be delivering the bags on Thursday, November 30.**

For questions contact Lorri Henry @ 832-265-4153 email: lorri.henry14@gmail.com Or Kim Lincecum @ 281-750-1926 email: kimlincecum@comcast.net

SEND ORDER FORM AND MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

Lorri Henry @ 15 Rivercoach Lane,.Sugar Land, TX 77479

Help us locate your AGGIE – we will not be responsible for unclaimed bags

MOM'S NAME _____

MOM'S NUMBER _____

MOM'S EMAIL _____

NUMBER OF BAGS ORDERED: _____

BAG 1:

STUDENT NAME _____

STUDENT EMAIL _____

STUDENT CELL NUMBER _____

Please write your personal message below - it will be included in your AGGIE'S bag!

AN AGGIE MOM LOVES YOU!

BAG 2:

STUDENT NAME _____

STUDENT EMAIL _____

STUDENT CELL NUMBER _____

Please write your personal message below - it will be included in your AGGIE'S bag!

AN AGGIE MOM LOVES YOU!



AGGIE MOM CAMP

FEBRUARY 2 - 4, 2018

HILTON COLLEGE STATION

<https://aggiemoms.org/aggiemomcamp>

Deadline: Must be postmarked by January 8, 2018

No refunds after the deadline.

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Registration fee includes the following:

- 2 nights at the Hilton Hotel (801 University Dr. East)
- 1 Aggie Mom Camp t-shirt
- Tote bag
- 5 meals (2 Breakfasts – Saturday & Sunday, Lunch – Saturday and 2 Dinners - Friday & Saturday)
- Speakers, entertainment & tour
- Mini Boutique
- Tons of Aggie Mom friends and memories!

Your Saturday dinner ticket is included in your registration fee, but we encourage you to invite your Aggie students. Additional dinner tickets will not be available during camp; they must be purchased with Registration.

Mail Registration and check to: Connie Pritchard '81, 12418 Pedder Way Dr., Tomball, TX 77377

Name: _____ TAMU Class: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Aggie Moms Club? _____

Email: _____ Corps Mom? **Y** or **N** Past Chair/Counselor? **Y** or **N**

Any special medical/allergy, physical or dietary needs? **Y** or **N** If yes, explain: _____

Roommate Name (include her Club): _____

If you have a roommate preference, her name must be submitted here. If you don't have a preference, another Aggie Mom will be assigned.

Camp Preference: _____

Unless otherwise noted, you will be randomly placed in a camp.

Registration fee*: \$ 285.00

One t-shirt is included to be worn all weekend as your 'ticket' into Camp activities.

Adult t-shirt size? **S M L XL XXL** Add \$15 for extra t-shirt \$ _____

Add \$15 per extra dinner ticket # extra tickets: _____ \$ _____

Total due (Make check payable to: Federation of Texas A&M Mothers Clubs): \$ _____

**If you require something other than double occupancy, contact the Chairs at amcchair@aggienetwork.com.*

By attending, you consent to having your photo or likeness used for promotion of Aggie Mom Camp in literature and/or video recordings.

Fort Bend Aggie Moms' Club 2017-2018

Membership Information Form

Date _____
New _____ Renewal _____
Chk or Cash _____
Amount _____

Last Name First Name Husband's Name

Mailing Address (Street, City, Zip)

Neighborhood/Community (ex. New Territory, Old Orchard, etc.) Facebook? (Yes/No)

Home Phone Work Phone Cell Phone

E-mail Address (**Please print clearly – Very Important**) Member's Birthday (MM/DD)

To reduce our postage costs, we would prefer to mail hard copies of newsletters only to members without E-mail addresses.

____ If you are NOT comfortable receiving your newsletter by e-mail, please check here.

Did you or your husband graduate from A&M? (List name & year.) _____

Student Information (current and former students) Please **print clearly**.

Name TAMU Class Birthday

TAMU Cell Phone # TAMU e-mail address Major

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I am interested in helping with the following:

____ Aggie Bags	<u>Fundraising:</u>	____ Poinsettias
____ Boutique	____ Main Fundraising Event	____ Scholarship Committee
____ Refreshments	____ Silent Auction	____ Bunco
____ Aggie Mom Crafters (AMC)		

Talents or experiences in other organizations. _____

How did you learn about our club? _____

Annual Dues are \$25. If you wish to donate \$1 to the Benevolent fund make check for \$26. Please make your check payable to Fort Bend Aggie Moms. Please turn in form and dues at any meeting or mail to Membership Chairman:

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104 Tall Trail, Missouri City TX 77459
Email: threegrays3@me.com 732-688-8207