



Aggie Moms Connecting

COLLIN COUNTY AGGIE MOMS CLUB

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President's Message

Howdy Aggie Moms!

We've started off 2019 hitting the ground running! We had a great turnout for our January general meeting where we honored our December graduates (congratulations to the graduates and their Aggie moms!), our Aggies have gone back to Aggieland for the spring semester, the Winter Federation Meeting was held on the TAMU campus with several of our members in attendance, our Aggie Moms Connecting group advanced their education by learning how to make soy candles, and our Aggie Angels partook of some German hospitality at the Bavarian Grill in Plano. Now that February has arrived, it is time for us all to jump in together and finish the 2018-19 year strong. There will be plenty of upcoming opportunities to volunteer in the next few months, so be sure and watch for details in the weekly emails and newsletter. Our Big Event, Online Auction and Family Weekend Boutique will be especially successful if we ALL give our time, talents and donations towards these efforts.

Did you know that Collin County Aggie Moms Club offers scholarships not only to incoming freshmen, but to returning students as well?! In addition to these yearly scholarships to incoming freshmen and returning students, we have two fully funded endowed scholarships which are awarded through the Texas A&M Foundation. The proceeds raised through our fundraising efforts help generate significant funds that support our scholarship program which in turn is a key way that CCAM gives back to Texas A&M. We are well on our way to another prosperous fundraising year with the success of our Pecans and Poinsettias sales from this past fall semester and all proceeds from our upcoming Online Auction, Aggie Ring ring wrap raffle and Family Weekend Boutique sales will go directly to support our scholarship fund. Scholarship information and the application is available on our website. All applications must be postmarked by March 25.

CCAM NEEDS YOU!! Believe it or not, it is time to

nominate our officers for the 2019-20 school year. What better way to get involved, make new friends and positively contribute new ideas to our club...All that is missing is YOU! Collin County Aggie Moms make an impact on the students at TAMU and we need your talents to continue to meet and exceed our goals. Nominate yourself, a friend or another Aggie Mom whom you might admire from afar and think she would be "perfect" to help lead our club. Nomination forms will be available at the February general meeting and are also available on our website and can be emailed to Caryn Schniederjan at ccampresident@gmail.com.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our February general meeting on Monday, February 18th. Goody Bags will be available for purchase at the general meeting in addition to raffle tickets for your chance to win a fabulous diamond ring wrap. The raffle drawing for the ring wrap will be during Family Weekend, April 12-14.

Thanks and Gig'em,

Caryn Schniederjan
President, Collin County Aggie Moms
Mom of Sarah '18

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Save the date for the BIG EVENT Saturday, March 30th

What is the Big Event? It is the largest one-day student-run service project in the nation that began in 1982 when six Aggies volunteered to clean up a local cemetery. Since that time, Aggie students show their appreciation to the surrounding community by completing service projects such as yard work, window washing, painting and more. Since 2015, more than 22,000 Texas A&M students, faculty and staff have come together to say "thank you" to the residents of Bryan-College Station for supporting and hosting them while they attend the university.

This year CCAM is sponsoring our own local Big Event on the same day. Our BIG EVENT is scheduled for March 30, 2019 when we will be volunteering at the Richardson location for Feed My Starving Children (FMSC). Volunteering with FMSC is a fun, team-building experience that lets you be a part of the solution to world hunger! We have 19 slots available from 9:00 – 11:00 am at the Richardson location which is located at 1680 N. Glenville Drive, Suite 300, Richardson, Texas.

Sign-up coming soon.

Scholarships for Aggies! Volunteers Needed to Read!

A sign up sheet will be available at the February General Meeting for volunteer committee members. Committee members will read applications and participate in the selection process. You may be a reader of the high school or transfer applicants if your current Aggie is applying.

If you are unable to attend the general meeting but would like to be a committee volunteer, please email Marla Larimore at larimore.marla@gmail.com.

Spring Aggie Goodie Bags

We're excited about our Spring beach themed Aggie Goodie Bags! If you would like to purchase one for your Aggie or their friends, we will be taking orders for the bags at the February meeting. The bags will cost \$20 and may be paid for with cash or a check made out to CCAM.

The Spring bags will contain a maroon beach towel with the letters A&M in white, which we'll put in a maroon drawstring



bag that says Texas A&M. We will also throw in some extra treats. We will have them available for pick up at the April meeting if you already ordered one or, if you prefer, a group of Collin County Aggie Moms will deliver them in College Station at the MSC on April 26th. If you have a company or know of someone interested in donating items to add to our bags, please contact Denise Bleggi at denise.bleggi@pisd.edu.

Ring Wrap Raffle Begins In January!

We are thrilled to announce that RING WRAPS, LLC has graciously donated another beautiful Ladies Diamond Ring Wrap for our 2019 Raffle, Retail Value - \$1950; 10-karat yellow gold, .60 carat diamonds. Raffle tickets will be available at our February General Meeting. Tickets are \$10.00. Drawing will be held during Family Weekend in April 2019.



Thanks, Lori & Karen

What is a Ring Wrap?*

Triple Patented RingWraps™ are a matching pair of diamond bands meticulously handcrafted to encase a class ring. Our two-bar cradle design makes the RingWraps™ non-permanent and easily removable. RingWraps™ are made in the USA from start to finish. We are proud to be Aggie Owned and Operated! Choose from our five signature styles, or customize your own. Due to the varying designs of different rings, it is required that you send us your ring (with the exception of Aggie Rings, SHSU rings & TAMU Galveston rings *exclusions apply for custom designs*) so that custom RingWraps can be created. We will send you a Prepaid Fully insured UPS shipping label to make it easy to send us your ring.



* from Ring Wraps, LLC



Fundraising While Shopping!

Online Scrip Gift Card Program

Now is the time to log on to the website at shopwithscrip.com to browse the participating retailers and set up your online account. Here are a few ideas to get you started. Let's face it, you were going to buy items at these locations anyway—you may as well earn scholarship funds while you are shopping. There is no additional cost, they never expire, and the Collin County Aggie Moms club receive the rebates right away! CCAM receives a percentage of each purchase at the amount listed. Average amount is 5-7% We have prepared instructions on how to use the program and how to sign up for purchasing items online by linking your bank account which are all available in attachments and on our CCAM organization website. Check it out now!

Click [here](#) to download the form.

If you have any questions, contact Deidra Reed-Wooten at ccamscrip@gmail.com

Next Meeting: April General Meeting

Monday, April 15, 2019

7:00pm-9:00pm

Texas A&M AgriLife Research & Extension Center at Dallas, 17360 Coit Rd, Dallas, TX 75252

Aggie Scholarships!

We are excited about the changes to our scholarship that recognizes community service, character and potential Aggie spirit. Our scholarship is not financial need based and is opened to anyone that meets the listed application criteria. Please share this scholarship with any future or current Aggies. We would love to hear from them.

Please feel free to contact us should you have any questions. We have tried to think of as many questions students may have and have added those to the application in our Frequently Asked Questions.

Click [here](#) for the Scholarship Application!

The deadline to submit Scholarship Applications will be March 25, 2019. Scholarship winners will be announced at the May General Meeting.

Thanks and Gig'em!

Marla Larimore & Andrea Greenwald



Directories are Here!

CCAM Directories will be distributed at the November General Meeting to all of our paid members.

Please stop by to pick up your collectible copy! If you paid to have your copy mailed to you, be looking for it to arrive soon.



COLLIN COUNTY AGGIE MOMS BOARD AND COMMITTEE CHAIR POSITIONS

Howdy Moms!

It's once again the time of year that we begin to look at Members who are interested in serving on the Board or as a Committee Chair for the next academic year, 2019-2020. The Board and Committee Chairs provide direction for the Club, and along with the combined efforts of the Membership, are crucial to the continued success of Collin County Aggie Moms.

To serve on the Board (elected positions), you must have attended at least 3 General Meetings during the current year. To serve as President, you must also have been an Aggie Mom member for at least 2 years.

On the next page is a list of the elected board positions, committee chair positions and a brief description of duties. Please review and take the time to note positions you would be interested in holding. Also, let us know if you know of someone who would be the perfect fit for a position. We will contact anyone suggested to ensure their interest in the positions.

This information will be very helpful as our nomination committee meets in late February/early March to propose a slate of officers. Elections will be at our April General Meeting. Thank you for your support!

If you have question please reach out to the nominating committee: Suzan York, Patti Mitcham or Tammy Wallace.

Click [here](#) to download the Board Form.



Collin County Aggie Mom Board & Committee Chair Positions

Elected positions:

President:	Presides at all meetings, sits on committees, all other duties as required of the office.
President Elect:	Assist President with all meeting and duties as required of the office.
1st VP Membership:	Responsible for Membership - organization, recruitment, record keeping, reaching out.
2nd VP Projects:	Responsible for oversight of any fund-raising projects, coordinating efforts of those activities
3rd VP Socials:	Secures refreshments for meetings, any other hostess duties
4th VP Programs:	Secures speakers/organizes program of activities for general meetings and special events
5th VP Publications:	Responsible for oversight of all communications
Secretary:	Keeps official Minutes of all meetings (General and Board).
Treasurer:	Receives, holds, and disburses moneys. Files tax forms and financial reports
Parliamentarian:	Available to advise Club on parliamentary procedure
Historian:	Keeps scrapbook of the Club and its activities, takes pictures at events.

Committee Chairs:

Aggie Angels:	Matching new Moms with seasoned mom for mentoring
Moms Goodie Bags:	Organizing, order & assembling bags twice a year
Name Badges:	Orders and magnetic name-tags and assist with membership
Ring of Honor:	Oversees activities of moms whose Aggies have all graduated
Boutique:	Selecting items, selling, maintaining Boutique inventory
Pecans:	Sales pecans, bagging and delivers
Scrip Cards:	Take order and distributing Scrip gift card orders
Raffle:	Organize annual raffle and sell tickets
Spring Fundraiser:	Coordinating Spring Fundraiser
Poinsettias:	Take orders and distributing annual sale of Poinsettias
Big Event:	Organizes service project that typically coincides with TAMU Big Event
Ornaments:	Organizes club members to make our homemade ornaments
Social Assistant:	Assists Socials VP with all hospitality
Aggie Moms Connecting:	Organizes special group activities of a social and fun nature
Howdy Party:	Organize a welcome party for new and transfer student going to A&M
New Moms Welcome:	Organize a welcome party for new Moms
Graduate Recognition:	Recognize new A&M Gradates three times during the year
Technology:	Oversee the technology (PowerPoint, equipment) for General Meetings.
Directory:	Coordinate and distribute a digital directory
Email Coordinator:	Distributes regular emails to membership with useful Aggie Mom information
Facebook:	Communication of events through Social Media
Newsletter:	Publish monthly newsletter
Webmaster	Maintain club website with current and useful information
Scholarship:	Distributes applications, guides applicants, establishes review committee, presides over selection process, facilitates awards

**CCAM Board Members
2018-19**

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Basket items needed for Spring Fundraiser

Please help out by donating items for the Craft Creation Market Place Silent Auction on April 20. If you have not gotten an item for the auction, we are still looking for the following items: restaurant gift cards, tailgating items, tickets to sporting events, entertainment gift cards, movie tickets, spa certificates, and store gift certificates.

A Big Thank You to everyone planning on donating items and or baskets to the Spring Fundraiser. Please bring your items to our General Meeting on Monday, February 18th. If needed, arrangements can be made to pick up your items, contact Patti Mitcham by Sunday, March 17th via email:

pamitcham1@gmail.com or phone: 214-563-7475.

To make it easy, we will provide baskets, wrap, ribbon, and bags!

Click [here](#) for a donation letter.

Click [here](#) for a donation form.



Aggie Angels

Aggie Angels will be having their February dinner at Hash House a Go Go on February 27 at 6:30pm. Hash House is located at 1900 Preston Road, Plano, 75093.

Check out their menu at Hash House A Go Go - Twisted Farm Food. An Evite has been sent out, so please be sure to RSVP today!! Hope to see everyone there.



CCAM Communications

Weekly emails are sent on Wednesdays. Please send brief and specific information by Tuesdays that you would like included in the weekly email to: collincountymoms@aggienetwork.com

Monthly Newsletter: Articles for the next newsletter are due on Saturday, March 9th. Send your articles and **Aggie Br'Ag**s to JamieHanna@verizon.net.