



Dallas County Texas A&M University Mothers' Club NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S PASSBACK

Sharon Broun Keeler '82

Aggie Moms on the Move

COMING UP...

Feb. 12 7:00 (Tue)
Singing Cadets Prep
@ Sharon's
12463 Montego Plz, Dallas

Feb. 16, 6:00 (Sat)
Singing Cadets Concert
Lovers Lane UMC
9200 Inwood Rd., Dallas

Feb. 21, (Thu)
General Meeting/
Founders' Day Dinner
@ UPUMC 6:30

Feb. 22-24 (Fri-Sun)
Aggie Mom Camp
College Station

Feb. 26 7:00 (Tue)
**Singing Cadets evaluation
meeting and thank-you note
writing,**
Whole Foods – Preston Forest

Feb. 27 7:00 (Tue)
Book Club
Whole Foods – Preston Center

Mar. 21, (Thu)
General Meeting
UPUMC



Howdy, Moms!

I had a special phone call today. It was from an older woman who had a question about buying a ticket for the Singing Cadets Concert without using a computer. Her husband was Class of '59, and she said they loved A&M. She is a widow now, so she's coming to the concert by herself. Our conversation reminded me that this concert is a true community event. And I'm so glad to be a part of it. I don't know if I'll see this lady that night. Maybe one of you will end up sitting near her. If you do, please reach out, and let her know you're glad she's there. I bet she'll have some good stories for you!

Between now and then, though, it's crunch time! We appreciate all of the time and energy – physical and mental – that you ladies are dedicating to this effort!

Our February General Meeting is always special because that's when we welcome and honor our Past Presidents. It's inspiring to hear how much they were able to accomplish in the days before laptops and cell phones! We're planning to serve the ladies a lasagna dinner, so if you can help with that, please sign up [here](#).

And I know you'll enjoy our speaker, Cindy Quinn from the Texas A&M [Center for Population Health and Aging](#). She's going to give us some tips on how to age well, and I plan to take lots of notes! Let's do all we can to stay healthy and active for ourselves and our families!

Thanks and Gig 'em!
Sharon

Important links and deadlines!.

Sat. 2/16: Help us provide the cadets' snacks, and waters for the cadets and the concert patrons by clicking [here](#)

Sat. 2/16: Purchase your Singing Cadets tickets [here](#).

Thu. 2/21: General Meeting. Sign up to bring lasagna, salad or bread [here](#)

WANTED

A second photographer to help us capture images from the Singing Cadets Concert! If you can help, please contact Robin McMahan at dcamvpatlarge@gmail.com

February General Meeting and Annual Founders' Day Dinner

Thursday, February 21, 2019

7:00 (dinner begins at 6:30)

University Park United Methodist Church



This month we invite our Past Presidents to honor them and their contributions to our club! This is a special meeting and we hope everyone will join us!

Our Guest Speaker will be Cindy Quinn from Texas A&M's Center for Population Health and Aging.

Because women live longer than men, it stands to reason that women must have a long-term vision to plan to age well within the community. But what are the costs of healthy aging? Depending on the everyday choices you make, it can be more or less than you think. Cindy Quinn will shed some light on the status of Women and Aging in the U.S. and the actions necessary to age well in body, mind and spirit!

Dinner will be lasagna and salad. We'll be providing a special dessert, but if you can contribute some of the other fixings, please sign up here:

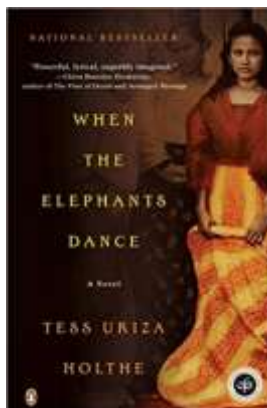
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BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, February 27, 7pm

Whole Foods at
Preston & Forest – upstairs

When Elephants Dance
by Tess Uriza Holthe



Upcoming Book Club Reads

March: *The Girls of Atomic City: The Untold Story of the Women Who Helped in World War II* by Denise Kierman

April: *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles

THANK YOU!

In January, we had an awesome spread of soups and salads for the January general meeting. Thanks so much to the following Aggie moms for contributing food:

Carol Barke
Terry Carpenter
Kathy Jagielski
Karen Gautreaux
Susan Horne
Linda Brady
Karen Hunter
Andrea Langford
Nancy Turner
Denise Perez
Robin McMahan
Peggy Yard
Stephanie Krog

SPRING GOODY BAGS!

We will be pre-ordering our Spring Exam Goody Bags for our students (on College Station's Campus). Cost is \$18 for the bag and an ATM Beach towel. Please notice that this is different from the past: *You must pre-order and pay for your bag before April 1 to get the beach towel.* Please complete an order form for each bag you would like to purchase and be sure the student information is correct because this is how we will notify your student when and where to pick up his or her bag.

In addition to the \$18 towel order, every mom needs to purchase 25-30 treats to donate to the filling of the bags. These treats can be candy, gum, chips, toys, pencils, individual cereals, pop tarts, Gatorade,... the sky is the limit. We will then combine everyone's donations and fill the bags at the end of our April General Meeting on April 25.

A group of moms will deliver the bags to College Station on Monday, April 27 and pass them out to the students in the Memorial Student Center between 10-2. Look for the informational table at the February Meeting for more info, or to place your prepaid order. Please send a photo of your order form to Patti at dcamcorresec@gmail.com or 972-900-7243 if you mail in your form. All forms and payments must be post-marked before April 1.

Save the date!

March General Meeting

March 21, 2019

Angie Rogers '84

Meet a dynamic Collin County Aggie Mom who's making a difference! She's advocating for Texas A&M to provide more support to students who are struggling with or in recovery from addiction. She assisted in getting a new student organization off the ground: [Aggie Recovery Community](#).





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Texas A&M Singing Cadets Concert

Saturday, Feb. 16
dcamcadetconcert@gmail.com

We're looking forward to a big night! To date we've sold over 300 tickets, collected over 100 silent auction items and raised over \$2,000 from sponsors!

The seating capacity of the church is 700, so we have plenty of room for more guests! You can help with our final publicity push by sending the ticketing link to your friends: singingcadetsdallas.eventbrite.com, and by sharing the facebook event on your timeline:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/303072563678457/>



Silent Auction Sneak Peak!

These are just a few of the items we've collected! There's something for everyone!

Football autographed by Coach Jimbo

2 tkts to TAMU v. Miss St on 10/26/19

\$500 off Ring Wraps

Century Tree Necklace by David Gardner

Barbeque Dinner for 25 catered by Aggie Mom and Dad Liz and Mike Potter

Sunday Dinner for 4 catered by Aggie Mom Leanne Svec

4 tkts to Texas Motor Speedway 3/29, 30 and 31

Custom framed print by Benjamin Knox

2 tkts to Hamilton @ Fair Park Music Hall 4/23/19

Hotel nights at Omni Dallas, Stella, Cavalry Court and Home 2 Suites

Golf @ TAMU course and Firewheel in Garland

Eagle Gun Range (lessons and lane passes)

2 tkts to Texas Rangers 9/14/19

4 tkts to Billy Bob's

3 hours cleaning services by MaidPro in College Station

Exquisite macarons home-baked by Aggie Mom Joan Bejean

Auction item spotlight

One of our auction items is a Swedish Massage and Facial donated by Kristen Barton '04, owner of Vivian's Boutique Spa on Ross Ave. Learn more about Kristen's journey from Wall Street to analyst to spa owner here:

<http://voyagedallas.com/interview/meet-kristin-barton-vivians-boutique-spa-lower-greenville>



Big Event at Hope Supply Co.

Saturday, March 30, 10480 Shady Trail, Dallas

Most of you probably know by now that the students at Texas A&M participate in the largest student-run service project in the nation. Taking inspiration from them, we plan our own service project here in Dallas on the same day! So mark your calendars for Saturday morning, March 30.

We'll make Easter baskets and birthday boxes for kids in need. Then we'll head out to lunch at a restaurant tbd! We'll also order official Big Event t-shirts when they become available. Stay tuned for more info!



Aggie Moms' Boutique at Family Weekend Friday-Saturday, April 12-23

Upstairs at the MSC

As you begin to plan your activities for Family Weekend please block out a few hours to help us staff our boutique table. We'll need help during these times:

- Thursday evening - unloading and setting up
- Friday, 9:00-5:00 – table sales
- Saturday, 10:00-5:00 – table sales
- Saturday, after 5:00 – breakdown and load up

We really, really, really need our members' help with this event as there are multiple other activities that weekend that various board members are obligated to attend!





Marcos Estrada and Rachel Simpson, City of Dallas



Yoga with a Twist!



Winter Federation Meeting

2019 Spring Student Exam Goody Bag Order Form

Sold to:

Mom's Name _____ Aggie's Name _____

Mom's Cell Number _____ Aggie's Cell# _____

Aggie's Email _____

***This semester's bags must be ordered and paid for BEFORE APRIL 1!**

1 Goodie Bag with a Beach Towel \$18.00 Total with tax

PLEASE USE A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH BAG ORDERED

Make all checks payable to Dallas County Aggie Moms

Thanks and Gig 'em!

For Questions contact Patti @ dcamcorresec@gmail.com or 972-900-7243

Dallas County Aggie Moms PO Box 600182 Dallas, Tx 75360 dallasaggiemoms.org

Bags orders mailed must be post marked before April 1 and please send a photo of order to above contact information.

Each Semester we deliver Goodie Bags to our student at the College Station Campus before Finals. A special container or unique item is provided at cost. Each mom is asked to purchase and bring 25-30 of their students' favorite treat or goodies to add to goodies other mom's are bring to fill the bags. We then assemble the bags at the end of our April General Meeting for delivery by Dallas County Aggie Moms Monday, April 29 between 10-2 in the MSC.

You may purchase additional bags as long as you bring goodies for each bag you are filling.

Would you like to help with the delivery? _____ Yes

It's a one day round-trip to BCS