



DALLAS COUNTY ESTABLISHED 1922 TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY MOTHERS' CLUB

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UPCOMING EVENTS

(As of March 15)

Wed, Mar 25, 7 pm, via teleconference
Book Club

Sat, Apr 4, 2-4:30 pm, Messina Hof
Grapevine Winery, 201 S Main St
District Meeting + Wine Tasting

Apr 17-19
Family Weekend
Aggie Moms Boutique (Fri/Sat, 10-5)

Wed, Apr 22, 7 pm, Panera (Preston-Forest)
Book Club

Thur, Apr 23, 6:30/7 pm, UPUMC
April General Meeting

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PRESIDENT'S PASSBACK

Carol Barke
"Together We Create 2020 Vision"

Howdy, Moms!

We look back to February's activities, glance at March, and look forward to April. First, let's celebrate the Founder's Day Dinner and the Singing Cadets Concert and Silent Auction. At Founder's Day, we were honored with the presence of sixteen past presidents, plus a past president's daughter Janet Davis, whose mom is JoAnn Hodges, DCAM president '77-'78. Thanks to all of you who made that evening special! Be sure to read the sweet note I got from past president Nina Cox on the next page.

Also, thank you all for your efforts in the Singing Cadets Concert and Silent Auction! The night was definitely a huge success. Over 600 people attended the concert, and we made close to \$15,000 from the concert ticket sales and silent auction. The concert patrons enjoyed the new venue, and we thank First United Methodist Church Richardson for their hospitality.

Glancing at March, we are following COVID-19 health advisories to avoid group activities. On that note, please see the changes to our March schedule in this newsletter.

Looking forward to April, we hope to get group activities back on our calendar. We will have the General Meeting on April 23rd and will invite high school students who have received acceptance notifications from Texas A&M University. We also look forward to announcing a revised date for a Big Event service project to make the Hope Supply Co. birthday boxes.

We encourage everyone to take necessary COVID-19 health precautions and stay well. We look forward to seeing you again soon.

Thanks and Gig 'em,
Carol
DCAMPresident@AggieNetwork.com



Dear Carol
 What an enjoyable evening with you Aggie
 Moms. The dinner was delicious and I appreciate
 you honoring our former presidents with recognition
 and gifts. It was such a pleasure to relive memories
 and especially to see how you all are keeping the
 torch burning for Aggie Moms. It was an honor
 to serve as president for the 75th anniversary of
 Aggie Moms as Dr. Bowen honored us on campus.
 Now I look forward to the 100th anniversary of
 moms sewing this great university and its
 students.
 Thank you so much for everything and be
 assured of my constant support and love of this great
 organization. Aggie Mom Love, Nina Cox '96-'97



STAY INFORMED

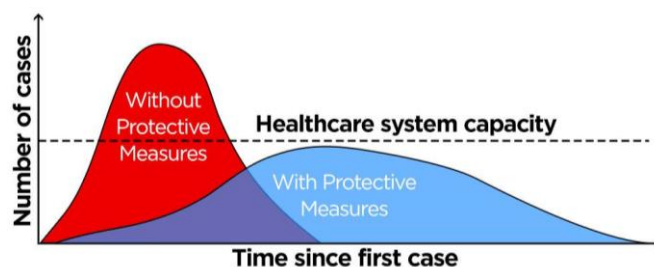
Visit tamu.edu/coronavirus/ for Texas A&M University's up-to-date response to COVID-19.

DCAM COVID-19 UPDATE

Our highest priority is our Aggie families, and with that in mind, we are canceling our March group activities. With all the concerns related to the COVID-19, we are exercising caution and focusing on our families' health. We will continue to run club business, but choose to use technology to help us connect: Facebook, emails, text messages, and conference calls.

- March General Meeting – Canceled
- March Big Event – Canceled
- March Aggie Moms Connecting Self Defense Class – Canceled, but planning to reschedule
- March Book Club - via group conferencing

Protective measures – frequent hand washing, keeping your hands off your face, social distancing, and staying home when ill – are meant to "flatten the curve" to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19, help reduce the strain on our healthcare system, and ensure that more of those battling COVID-19 and other severe health concerns can receive the care they require.



Adapted from CDC / The Economist

SPRING GOODY BAGS

Final Exam Goody Bags will include a charging kit, bag, your choice of goodies contributed by participating moms, and fresh fruit for \$8 including tax.

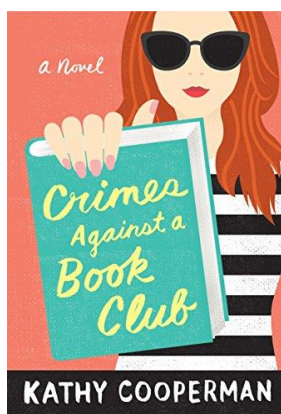


We will assemble the bags at the end of the April 23 general meeting for distribution on Monday, April 27, on the College Station campus in the MSC or for you to take with you.

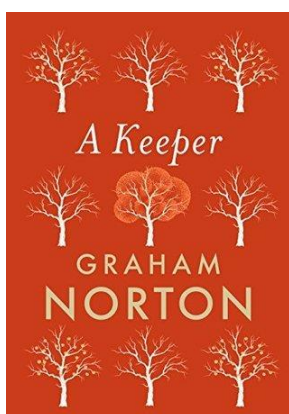
An order form is included on page 6 of this newsletter.

BOOK CLUB

March 25



April 22



SAVE THE DATE

April General Meeting - April 23

Program: Getting the Right Class Schedule to Stay on Plan for On-Time Graduation

Andy Armstrong, TAMU Academic Advising

Incoming TAMU freshmen and their parents are invited to attend this informative program and be our guests for dinner that night. **Please invite your friends with Class of '24 Aggies.** DCAM will not receive a contact list from TAMU, so it's up to us to spread the word.

100TH ANNIVERSARY ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Dallas County Aggie Moms' Club has pledged \$25,000 to the Texas A&M Foundation for a new endowed scholarship (what we have been referring to as the Century Endowment) for Dallas County Aggies. A \$16,000 payment was made toward this pledge in January. DCAM will continue to make payments on this pledge, with the goal of having the scholarship fully funded by 2022 in honor of our 100th anniversary.

Payments may also be made by individuals directly and by company matching programs. These gifts should indicate the following:

- Pledge Name: Dallas County A&M University Mothers' Club 100th Anniversary Endowed Scholarship
- Pledge Number: 4225915

Donations may be made at txamfoundation.com/give or by check to Texas A&M Foundation, 401 George Bush Dr. College Station, TX 77840.

DCAM NOMINATING COMMITTEE

These members will serve through January 31, 2021.

Sharon Keeler (chair)
Taressa Anderson
Liz Potter
Diane Carter
Karen Vaughn

The committee will announce a proposed slate of officers for the 2020-2021 term prior to the election at the April General Meeting.

DISTRICT 1 & 2 MEETING + WINE TASTING

April 4th, 2-4:30 pm, Messina Hof Grapevine Winery

Aggie Moms' Clubs members are invited to come together to hear reports, learn about ways to strengthen clubs, and make valuable contacts with other Aggie Moms in the area.

Following the meeting, complimentary wine tasting with cheese and crackers and a cash bar will be available.

[RSVP](#)

Questions? Contact Peggy Nolan at DCAMFedDistrictRep@AggieNetwork.com.

District 1 includes Coppell, Denton County, Fort Worth / Tarrant County, Hood Area, Johnson County, Northeast Tarrant County, Parker County, and Stephenville Area.

District 2 includes Collin County, Dallas County, Grayson County, Kaufman County, Rockwall County, and Southwest Dallas County.



2020-21 FEDERATION BOARD NOMINEES

President - Diane Eckols - Fort Bend County
VP at Large - Cathleen Inman - Blanco County
President-Elect - Katie Latham - Tyler
2nd VP Programs - Melissa Martinez - Randolph Area
3rd VP Registration - Cindy DeWitt - Brazos County
4th VP Reports - Connie Pritchard - NW Harris County
5th VP Boutique - Alice Artman - Brazoria County
6th VP Districts - Tamra Walker - Coppell
7th VP Directory - Karen Hunter - Dallas County
Recording Secretary - Melissa Johnson - Houston
Treasurer - Mechelle Fisher - Galveston County

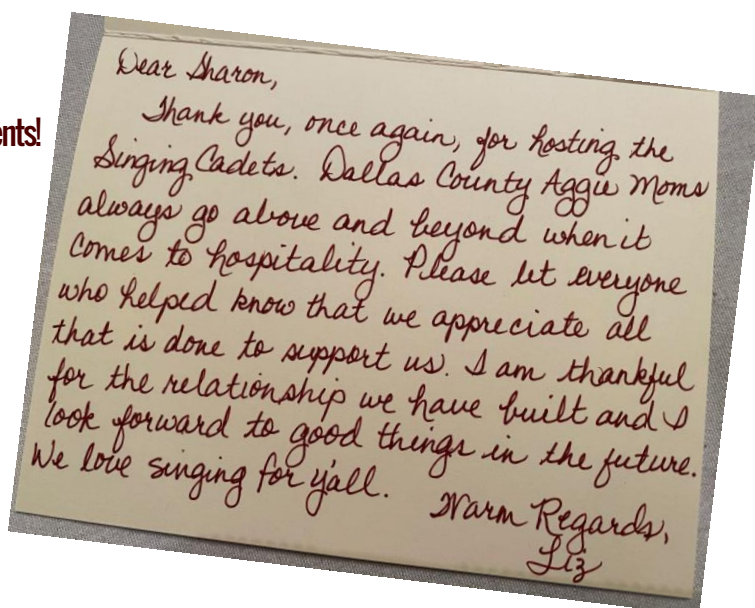
Congratulations, Karen!

Elections are scheduled for April 17.

THANK YOU, EVENT PARTNERS!

These donors made it possible for all income to benefit students!

Huffines Auto Dealerships
Fireman Mike's BBQ
Mr. and Mrs. Mark Krog
Isabel and John Campbell
Robin & Bill McMahan '88
Leanne and Mike Svec
Jane and Robert B. "Butch" Miller '69
Peggy and Ralph Nolan
First United Methodist Church Richardson



These Silent Auction donors gave us incredible items!

Aggieland Outfitters	Golf Club at Texas A&M	Rosa's
Alamo Drafthouse	Home2 Suites by Hilton – CS	Rusty Taco
Benjamin Knox Gallery	Jason's Deli	Sandy Stansbury
Billy Bob's	Joan Bejean	Shipwreck Grill
Blue Mesa	Judy Moen	Sigrid Canto
Boardroom Salon for Men	Kathy Jagielski	Snuffer's
Burger Mojo	Kendra Scott	Stella Hotel – CS
Cafe Eccell	Kenny's Wood Fired Grill	Stephanie Robinson
CC Creations	Kuai Asian Kitchen	Sweet Station / Stephanie Arnold '94
Celebration Restaurant	Lakewood Brewing Co.	Tangerine Salon
Chocolate Gallery	Logotology	Texas A&M University Press
Chuy's	Louise Gartrell	Texas Discovery Gardens
CycleBar	MaidPro – CS	Texas Motor Speedway
Dallas A&M Club	Medieval Times	Texas Rangers Baseball Club
Dallas Arboretum	Melinda Marusak	Texas Wine and Wood
Dallas Holocaust & Human Rights Museum	Mesomaya	Creative Studio
Dallas Opera	Messina Hof Estate Winery and Resort	The Store in Lake Highlands
Dallas Stars	National Museum of the Pacific War	Tiff's Treats
Dallas Symphony	Neuhaus Cafe & Chocolate Boutique	Top Golf
Dallas Zoo	Ozona Grill & Bar	Total Wine & More
David Gardner's Jewelers	Peggy Nolan	Trinity Forest Adventure Park
Desperado's Mexican Restaurant	Pocket Sandwich Theatre	Tupinamba's / Kolleen and Eddie Dominguez '68
Drybar	Pure Barre College Station	Valencia Group
Eagle Gun Range/David Prince '72	Raising Cane's	Vineyard Court
Firewheel Golf Club	Rally House	Vivian's Boutique Spa / Kristin Barton '04
Flower Child	Richardson Theatre Center	WaterTower Theatre
Freddy's Steakhouses	Ring Wraps / Emily Huskinson	William Chris Vineyards
Galleria Spa Salon	Heath '12	
	Robin and Bill McMahan '88	

These host families welcomed Singing Cadets into their homes!

Becky & Dave Adams, Taressa & Brady Anderson, Joel & Meg Austin, Patti Baty, Lori Clapp, Brenda & Chuck Feilmeier, Rex & Darla Foster, Janet Green, Ronna Johnson, Julia Kieser, Lisa Lange, Resse Lastrapes, Cherie Oktay, Craig & Bridget Simpson, David Snedecor, Wendy Taber, Tim & Kathy Terzis, Sue Tipoff, Craig & Karen Vaughn, and Sara Wertz.

And thank you to Robin McMahan and Andrea Langford for being our 12th Man families to step in if we needed them.

RECENT EVENT PHOTOS

Fish City Grill

DCAM members and friends took advantage of the generosity and great food at Fish City Grill Firewheel.



February General Meeting

We enjoyed hosting a wonderful group of past presidents for a delicious lasagna dinner plus an informative program by TAMU Police Department Crime Prevention Specialists Dee Donovan, Master Officer, and Kristi Hosea, Senior Officer.

Singing Cadets Concert & Silent Auction

What an amazing event! Over 600 guests enjoyed the talents of the chorus, the hospitality of our club, the variety in the silent auction, and the beautiful venue. We appreciate our generous guests and partners who helped us raise almost \$15,000 for Aggie scholarships and organizations.



Goody Bag Order Form

Sold to:

For:

Mom's Name _____ Aggie's Name _____

Mom's Cell _____ Aggie's Cell _____

Aggie's Email _____

One Goody Bag with charging kit, fresh fruit, and tax: \$8

(PLEASE USE A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH STUDENT AND BAG)

Make all checks payable to Dallas County Aggie Moms

For questions contact Patti at DCAMGoodyBags@AggieNetwork.com or 972-900-7243.

Each semester we deliver Goody Bags to our students 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 30-40 of their student's favorite treat or goody to add to goodies other moms are bringing for the bags. We assemble the bags at the end of the April General Meeting for delivery by Dallas County Aggie Moms on Monday, April 27, between 10:00 and 2:00 in the MSC.

Would you like to help with the delivery? ☐ YES!

Would you like to bake cookies, brownies, or some other treat to be available to the students on pick up day, Monday, April 27? ☐ YES!

These need to be pre-wrapped for individual distribution.

Thanks and Gig'em!