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Dallas County Texas A&M University Mothers' Club NEWSLETTER

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Mar 8 (Thu) General Mtg 7pm Special Guest! (Order Big Event T's) University Park United Methodist Church 4024 Caruth Blvd Dallas <u>Map</u>

Mar 10 2pm (Sat) Meet for a Concert Wrapup / De-brief / <u>Celebration!</u> @ <u>Grub Burger</u> (Greenville)

Mar 12 - 16 TAMU Spring Break

Mar 18 2-5pm(Sun)Craft Day Glue, Cut, Hammer
@ Robin's home
478 Stone Canyon, Sunnyvale

Mar 24 (Sat) Big Event in Dallas.

- Mar 28 7pm (Wed) Book Club meets @ Whole Foods Preston and Forest (upstairs)
- Apr 13-14 and 15 (Fri-Sun) Boutique Workers sought (in CS) @Family Weekend. Family Events go thru Sun, but we need shift workers Fri & Sat

Apr 19(Thu)General Meeting: TAMUAdmissions Office, Q&Apannel and Goodie Bags!University Park United Method-ist Church 4024 Caruth BlvdDallas Map



President's Passback Robin McMahan <u>dcampres@gmail.com</u>

Howdy!

Whoop! The Singing Cadet Concert was a great success! Thank you to everyone who contributed your time, baked goods, an auction item, your home or financial support. Hope to see you all at the Wrap Up on Saturday, March 10 at Grub.

A special thanks to Sharon Keeler, our 2017-18 Fundraising Chair for organizing everyone and keeping us focused.

Spring has finally shown its face and we have several DCAM opportunities coming up during the month of March. Please join us whenever you can and let us get to know you. Be sure to review the list of organizations and clubs so you can vote. All members who are current with their dues use five votes to select those groups that receive a portion of the money raised this year. We also set aside funds for five scholarships we give students each year. Encourage any Dallas County Aggie you know to apply via TAMU.

Our general meeting is THIS WEEK THURSDAY, March 8 so that we don't conflict with spring break.

The slate of officers for the 2018-19 will be announced and a special guest will

share some information that may be of interest to you. We will also be working on a few things hands-on for the Aggie Mom Boutique that is held in the MSC at Texas A&M during Family Weekend on April 13-14. We would love for a large contingent of DCAM to join the fun in College Station. No Experience is required! We will also take orders for our Big Event t-shirts (\$5) and sign up for the items that we will need for our community service project.

At our April Meeting we will host the TAMU Office of Admissions and a Q&A panel for any Incoming Aggies and their moms. We will also have a Silent Auction (details forthcoming) and fill our Spring Goodie Bags. Be sure to put April 19 on your calendar!

NOTE: We have two Aggie Moms who have reached out to our club. Their Aggies will be in Dallas for summer internships and are looking for a room to rent. Please talk to Eve Herman or myself if you might have a spare room and are interested.

Thanks and Gig'em!

Robin

2018-2019 DCAM Proposed Officer Slate:

President President Elect VP-at-Large Membership Fundraising Chairmen Communications Chairman Recording Secretary Treasurer Sharon Keeler Open Robin McMahan Isabel Campbell Liz Potter & Carol Barke Open Open Judy Darby

If you are interested in a position, please contact Karen at <u>dcamonline@gmail.com</u>. Nominations will also be taken from the floor at the General Meeting on Thursday, March 8. Please note: the March meeting is scheduled for the *second* week of the month due to TAMU Spring Break.



Hospitality Corner Dana Hall <u>dcamhospitality@gmail.com</u>

Salad for March Meeting

We will have salads at the March meeting. Click <u>http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a084fa4ac2e5-march</u> to sign up to bring either a salad or dessert. Contact Dana if you have any questions. Thank you!

SINGING CADET CONCERT Sharon Keeler <u>dcamfundraising@gmail.com</u>



Howdy!

Months and months of planning and effort by many Aggie Moms, along with a little help from the Singing Cadets, yielded one very special evening!

We sold **409** concert tickets, and auctioned off **over 100** items.



Special thanks to all volunteers who worked the night of the concert. (We had about 40 volunteers at the event, including some Aggie Dads!)

And thank you cookie bakers - We

served about a gazillion cookies thanks to Joan Bejean and 14 other cookie bakers. The cookies inspired over \$200 in contributions to our "donations accepted" containers! Thank you concert goers!



And of course, heartfelt thanks to the HOUSING families: 25 families hosted 70 cadets. (Whoop!)

It is very exciting to report that our fundraising efforts to give back to Texas A&M students, from the concert alone, raised **\$10,000** Thank you!



THANK YOU SPONSORS: We could not have done it without you! Aggie Spirit

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Elder

Aggie Family Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carter '69 John and Isabel Campbell the KeelerFenton Family Robin and Bill McMahan

12th Man Reliable Chevrolet Ms. Terry Carpenter for Ebby Halliday Realtors Jane & Butch '69 Miller Karen Hunter





PLEASE NOTE:

COME BY <u>Grub Burger</u> on Saturday, March 10, 2:00pm for a Concert Wrap-up / De-brief / and overall Celebration!

Did you volunteer at the Singing Cadets Concert? Did you attend? Do you wish you could have attended? (Does that cover everyone?!)

Please join us at 2:00 on Saturday, March 10 and we'll look more closely at the results, review what we did well, and discuss suggestions for improvements to consider for next year!

We'll meet at <u>Grub Burger</u> to show the restaurant our appreciation for feeding the Singing Cadets before the concert. Maybe we'll even sing for them like the Cadets did! (jk,! But see pic above, of the cadets singing for their supper!)

Questions? Contact Sharon





The BIG EVENT! March 24, 2018

Dallas County Aggie Moms will again participate off campus in the <u>TAMU Big Event</u>. We will be collecting various items for the <u>Hope</u> <u>Supply Co. in Dallas</u>. WOPF

We will create Easter Baskets for young children, wrap Birthday Boxes for all ages and pack boxes with hygiene products for teenagers who currently live in homeless shelters.

Please join us as we give back to the youth in our community from 9:30 am- 12:00 pm on Saturday, March 24.

You may purchase an optional Big Event t-shirt (\$5) at the Thursday (March 8) meeting.

Keep an eye out for an email to sign-up for donating toiletry items for the hygiene boxes.

This Aggie Mom Connecting activity is very rewarding and fun!

For more information please contact Robin McMahan dcampres@gmail.com





BOUTIQUE @ Family Weekend Sharon Keeler <u>dcamfundraising@gmail.com</u> 214-236-0339

Planning to attend <u>Family Weekend</u> on April 13-15? Don't miss the Aggie Mom Boutique! It's a giant craft fair held upstairs in the MSC on Friday and Saturday, featuring Aggie Mom clubs from all of the state!

Please sign up for a shift at our own Dallas County table! We'll need lots of helpers to cover the table for both days.

Contact Sharon Keeler if you're interested in volunteering

(If you need help finding a hotel room, or if you're going down by yourself and would like to share a room, please let us know.)



General craft wrap-up session will be Sunday, March 18th from 2-5 pm at Robin's home. 478 Stone Canyon Dr, Sunnyvale 972-343-8596.



Corresponding Secretary Patti Baty (972-900-7243) <u>dcamcorresec@gmail.com</u>

It is time for the Spring Semester Goodie Bags.

We will be assembling the Goodie Bags at the Thursday, April 19 General Meeting.

The bags are \$5 each which includes a reusable ATM shopping bag, fresh fruit and tax.

<u>Please bring an additional 50 items to share.</u> Ideas are your students favorite snack, chips, cereal, pop tarts, nuts, bubbles, cards, sunblock, popcorn, etc. (be creative). Also, bring a note from home wishing your student well on exams!

Please know your students email and cell number so we can contact them about pick up. We will be delivering the bags on Thursday, April 26 if you would like to help by baking some home made cookies or treats OR if you would like to join

us and travel to ATM to pass them out let me know. If you have questions please contact me, Patti

Please share this info with anyone you know coming in new to TAMU!



MEMBERSHIP Isabel Campbell <u>dcammembership@gmail.com</u>

Howdy Moms! As we get ready for our Spring Break time off, many Senior HS students have received their acceptance letters.

If you know of any mom who has a new Aggie, let her know about our Dallas County Aggie Moms club! All new Aggie moms are welcome to come to our meetings this spring!

I have many heart name badges that still need to be picked up. Come by the membership table at the next meeting to get yours. We are at 187 members! Whoop!!



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Someone suggested I put my pic in the newsletter, so here's Kathy J ridin' w/Gwenny (Look to the right for my cat-free pic)

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BOOK CLUB



The DCAM Book Club has selected a few new titles to finish out the next 4 months. Join the group and help select titles for the next year.

The next meeting is on Wednesday, March 28, in the Whole Foods location of Forest at Preston, upstairs.

March's title is My Italian Bulldozer by Alexander Macall Smith

The selections for April through June are as follows.

April: A Man Called Ove by Frederik Beckman May: 12 Strong: The Declassified True Story of the Horse Soldiers by Doug Stanton June: Love and Other Consolation Prizes by Jamie Ford

Come join the conversation! (Reading the book is optional—come by anyway!)

Corresponding Secretary

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DCAM Member

Need password?

Contact

Directory

ing for you!

Meanwhile: An online listing of current 2017-2018 members is now available (click here)

A paper copy of

the Membership

directory is wait-

Looking for All Spring 2018 Graduates

If your Aggie is graduating in May we want to recognize them for a job well done at our May 17 General Meeting. Please contact me by the end of April so we can present your student with a small gift

from the club at the May meeting.

Patti



Founder's Day Dinner: DCAM Past President attendees 2018. Can you name each of these past DCAM presidents? Send your list to dcamnews@gmail.com for special recognition! (Bonus points if you are able to list the year(s) served!)



2018 Texas A&M Singing Cadets Concert and Scholarship Fundraiser MEMORIES













































Dallas County Aggie Moms Give Back! TREASURER Liz Potter dcamtreas@gmail.com

In addition to the scholarship funds DCAM funds each year, it's time for us to choose which student organizations we will support with the money we've raised during the 2017-2018 school year. This link takes you to a list of all of the eligible organizations **http://aggiemoms.org/documents**/ The university provides the list of eligible groups to us and it changes slightly from year to year.

Below is a ballot. Please indicate which group (s) you would like for us to support. You may choose up to five. Every organization that receives a vote will receive a donation. The donation amount will depend on how many votes it receives from all of our members.

You may submit your ballot to DCAM by email (dcamtreas@gmail.com) or bring it to a general meeting. Note: All ballots must be received by FRIDAY, May 18, 2018. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Thanks and gig 'em! Liz

Dallas County Aggie Moms 2017-2018 Student Organization Selection Form Voting deadline: May 18, 2018

Please indicate which organization(s) you would like to receive your share of the 2017-2018 fundraising proceeds. You may allocate your share to just one organization or divide it among up to 5 separate groups.

Organization Name(s)	# of votes per student organization	Account number	Mothers' Club Code

For the **complete** list of eligible organizations, check the <u>*TAMU Authorized Student Organization List*</u> posted on the Federation Documents Page

Member name:

Member signature:

Member e-mail:

Member phone:

Ballots must be received by Friday, May 18, 2018.

Please send ballots by email to **dcamtreas@gmail.com** or regular mail to: Liz Potter 4545 Ivy Drive Mesquite TX 75150