



Dallas County Texas A&M University Mothers' Club NEWSLETTER

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May 14 7pm (Mon)

Planning mtg for the Howdy Party Social
Come help us plan the event for our incoming freshman, transfer students and their families! Freshmen moms, we especially need your input about how we can best serve the new families!

Join us upstairs at Whole Foods on Forest at Preston.

May 23 7pm (Wed)

Book Club meets @ Whole Foods Preston and Forest (upstairs)

July 8 3-6pm (Sun)

"Howdy Party Social" event for Incoming and Transfer Students @ UPUMC

The Last President's Passback of 2017-2018 Robin McMahan dcampres@gmail.com

Howdy Moms! Wow! What a year!

I have truly enjoyed this year and all that it entailed. I was able to experience so many fun things while learning so much more about Texas A&M and how our club and the Federation of Aggie Mothers Clubs work together to give back. Together DCAM did achieve a great deal.

Loyalty, one of the core values, to TAMU, our club and to each other helped to make this year successful.

Thank you to everyone who supported our fundraising efforts by making, selling or purchasing items. Thanks to all who brought food or items we were collecting to the meetings. Thank you to everyone who attended our general meetings, committee meetings, the Cadet Concert, our profit shares, and our Aggie Mom Connecting events. Thank you to those moms who join the club and are unable to come to the activities. We do appreciate you! Without all of you and your support there would be no Dallas County Aggie Moms Club.

I would like to publicly thank the club members who served on the board and as committee chairs this year. What a fantastic group of hard working Aggie Moms!

Liz Potter kept us in the black and up to date with all of our accounting.

Carol Barke made sure to take down everything that we discussed and decisions that were made, then reported them in a timely manner. She has also been instrumental in helping us work on our Bylaws with the Federation.

Isabel Campbell kept up with all 191 of us, making sure we were all on the list! She also kept up with our attendance.

Sharon Keeler explored every fund raising avenue available and kept us focused on the

Biggie, The Singing Cadet Concert. She also supported all of my craft ideas no matter how crazy. She was always there for me!

Eve Herman made sure to keep our calendar updated and took care of the Ebblast when I would forget to send her the info.

Janice Patterson was on top of the rules and also chaired our audit committee.

Peggy Nolan answered my many random phone calls and shared the Federation information with us. She also shared her experience.

Patti Baty took care of several craft projects and kept up with Grads, birthdays and goodie bags.

Terry Carpenter created our wonderful directory and made sure everyone got their copy.

Brenda Patton has been very diligent about taking pictures at every event.

Dana Hall is queen of Hospitality! We never lacked for food and the presentation was always done so nicely.

Linda Brady and Joan Copeland kept us on our toes with trivia and greeted our members with a Howdy and a Smile!

Karen Hunter kept us informed on Online Sales while training Eve to do the website and sharing information about our upcoming 100th birthday.

And **Kathy Jagielski**, my friend and mentor. Yes, she is a Crafter extraordinaire and the best newsletter person ever, but she is so much more. She helped me prepare and think through my year starting last year when I agreed to be President Elect. She shared her experience and did so without shutting me down. She is the reason I came back after my first Aggie Mom meeting. Thank you Kathy.

Thank you all for your help and support. Thank you all for working together. It's been a great year.

Together Aggie Moms can do so much more!

A very heartfelt *Thanks & Gig'em!*

Robin McMahan, President DCAM 2017-2018



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THANK YOU!

Many sincere thanks to everyone who brought food to share at our monthly meetings, to the Howdy Party, the Holiday Sale, New Mom Socials, the Singing Cadet Concert, etc. Your support has been wonderful!

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

INCOMING AGGIES AND THEIR FAMILIES FROM
DALLAS COUNTY ARE INVITED

HOWDY PARTY!

Sunday July 8, 2018 3:00 to 6:00

University Park United Methodist Church

4024 Caruth Blvd., Dallas, TX 75225

Meet the Yell Leaders
Hear Guest Speakers
Visit Information Tables
Enjoy tailgate snacks

Welcoming Incoming Freshmen from
TAMU College Station | TAMU Galveston | Blinn
Team
and **Transfer Students!**

Yes, parents may attend without their students, and students may attend without their parents!

Hosted by the Dallas County Aggie Moms Club

RSVP to dallascountyaggiemoms@gmail.com

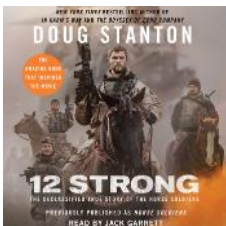
dallasaggiemoms.org

#tamu22 #firsttailgate #openhouse

Freshmen moms, we especially need your input about how we can best serve the new families!

BOOK CLUB

The DCAM Book Club has selected titles to finish through 2018.



The next meeting is on Wednesday, May 23, in the Whole Foods location of Forest at Preston, upstairs.

May: *12 Strong: The Declassified True Story of the Horse Soldiers* by Doug Stanton

The selections for June 2018 through January 2019 are:

June *Love and Other Consolation Prizes* by Jamie Ford

July *What Alice Forgot* by Liane Moriarty

August *The Woman in the Window* by A J Finn

September *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng

October *Code Girls - The Untold Story of the American Women Code Breakers in World War II* by Liza Mandy

November *The Day the World Came to Town - 9/11 in Gander, Newfoundland* by Jim DeFede

January 2019 *The Great Alone* by Kristin Hannah

Come join the conversation! (Reading the book is optional. Stop by anyway!)

2017-2018 DCAM SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



Elizabeth is a Freshman biomedical engineering major. She was salutatorian from WT White, and has been selected for a 3-week program in Qatar this summer.



Front left doctoral student (we adopted her for dinner)
middle: Endowed Opportunity Award recipient Liliana '19
right: Endowed Scholarship recipient Mikaylyn '19 (her parents standing behind)



Jay '21 recipient of the DCAM President's Endowed Scholarship



Endowed scholarship recipient Christine '18 (pictured at her freshman scholarship dinner in 2015)

Not pictured: Christopher '18

2018-2019 DCAM Elected Officers :

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

Welcome 2018-2019 DCAM Coordinator Chairwomen!

Coordinators are not elected, and attending board meetings for them is optional.

Historian: Brenda Patton

Corresponding Secy: Patti Baty

Web Master: Karen Hunter

Misc. Fundraising: Janice Patterson

Hospitality: Dana Hall and Theresa Fike

Directory: Melissa Castillo

Howdy (Welcome table): Linda Brady

Goody Bags: Patti Baty

Programs: Robin McMahan

We are still looking to fill the following open spots:

Communication subcommittees:

- _____ Newsletter
- _____ Emails
- _____ Social Media
- _____ Boutique
- _____ Spring Event
- _____ Holiday Sale
- _____ Aggie Mom Connecting

Get your feet wet—meet new friends, and co-ordinate something for Aggie Moms!

**DCAM Board Members
2017-2018**

President — Robin McMahan
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**DCAM Committee
Chairs 2017-2018**

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Historian—Brenda Patton
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Best wishes to ALL May graduates! We presented Moms Doris Larson (pic on left. Daughter Kristin) and Beth Grzybowski (son James) with a gift for their graduates (Students were not present—they were busy prepping for finals!)

Patti

**GOODIE BAG DELIVERY FUN!**

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Thank you to DCAM Moms for passing out the Spring Goodie Bags in College Station before Final Exams begin. Me with Judy and Mavis. Gig'em Ags!
#BTHOExams!

DCAM Member**Directory**

A paper copy of the Membership directory is waiting for you!

Meanwhile: An online listing of current 2017-2018 members is available (click [here](#)) Need password?

Contact

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Robin, Isabel and Peggy delivered Goodie Bags to the Engineering Academy students at El Centro in Dallas.

Robin and Isabel pictured with Prof. Ian Horbaczewski! Whoop!

2017—2018 End of Year Banquet Installation of Officers: 2018—2019



2017—2018 YEAR IN REVIEW

Editor's note: Each Spring, our club president submits a summary report of the year's activities to the Federation of Aggie Moms. I thought you'd like to see the summary. KJ

The new year started on May 18, 2017. We held our Installation of officers and recognition of Aggie Graduates at



Over the summer the board and committee chairs met each month to plan for the year and get to know each other.



After one of our meetings husbands joined the group for a cookout to share their Aggie Mom stories.



We had our Howdy Social on Saturday, July 15 at the Meadow's Conference Center and visited with new Aggie families over coffee at the come and go event. Several speakers from the university came up and shared information at various times while parents visited their tables and met them one on one. The event was well attended.



A small group worked at the DAMC Coaches Night on July 19 and we set up an information table as well. One of our goals this year has been to form a better relationship with the Dallas A&M Club.

August was a busy month. We not only had the first of six profit shares for the year at Rally House, we also started working on our scrap books, planned our new mom teas, and took 7 moms to the Federation meeting, but we sent our Aggies back to school and had a mixer at the Park Lane Starbucks. Whew!

In September we had our first DCAM Tailgate and enjoyed some delicious BBQ per Mike Potter and got to know a few new Aggie families. At our general meeting we had a very successful Aggie Mom Open House so our new moms could get to know us and what we do. We also had the first of two DCAM New Mom Teas in North Dallas. While none of our events had blockbuster attendance, each one added a few more members.



Our second profit share, Kendra Scott, was held in October followed by our second new mom social on the South East side of town in Sunnyvale. (we have a lot of ground to cover!) The Traditions Council came to our General Meeting and judged our fabulous Chili Cook-off! I believe there were 13 entries! At several of our meetings we collected items to give to the community; diaper & wipes for Harvey refugees, socks for the homeless, canned goods for the 12thCan, mittens & gloves, hygiene products and items for children's Easter baskets for our Big Event activity at Hope Supply. Community Outreach was very successful!



In November we participated in the Belk Charity day. We also had two Profit share events in November. One was at EVOO & Vin (now called

Infused) and the other at Grub. Our Scrapbook, Fundraising, Book Club meetings all continued and we prepared for TAMU President Young to visit and speak at our General Meeting. We had a very well attended meeting.



Our annual Howdy Holiday Gift Market and Tamale pick up was held at the UPUMC again this year in December and we had 4 other Aggie Moms clubs join us for the event. Our Tamale sales were spectacular! We had our profit share at Swoozies and a fun DCAM holiday party to end 2017.



In January before the students went back we had a great Aggie Mom Connecting event at the Board & Brush in Plano. Our General meeting speaker, Dr. Jane Flaherty from the Study Abroad Program put moms at ease about our Aggies going far away. Then we were back to BCS for the Winter Federation meeting and another great program for six DCAM members.



In February, several of us attended and or worked at Aggie Mom Camp. Each month the Fundraising committee met and focused on the upcoming activities but also worked toward the main event, the Singing Cadet Concert.

In February all of the planning paid off. After a wonderful Founders Day meeting with Andy Duffie '78,



with his Century Trees as our speaker we turned around a day and half later and set up for our Concert and Silent Auction at the LLUMC on Feb. 17. It was very successful and attended by over 400 people. Next year's event is already on the calendar. (2/16/19!)



Our March meeting was used as a work event so that all moms in attendance could help prepare for the April Boutique during Family Weekend. We also were able to enjoy visiting with other moms.



Several moms attended the Federation District 2 meeting. We also participated in our own Big Event activity with Hope Supply Company where we created 50 Easter baskets, 50 Hygiene boxes and wrapped 25 Birthday boxes then enjoyed a nice lunch afterward at Café Express. All this while we continually worked on boutique projects.



Texas A&M Family weekend is another big event in April for Aggie Moms. While the voting delegates and officers of the Federation are meeting, the Biggest Boutique of



the year is being held at the MSC. Our club was well represented in both arenas. We had a great group of workers to set up, man the boutique, and tear down at the end. Across the street our own Peggy Nolan was elected President of the Federation and Karen Hunter, Liz Potter and Robin McMahan were all appointed to board positions for 2018-2019. Our club received an award for significant growth in Membership, 26.9%.

At the April meeting we went all out. Our speaker from the TAMU Office of Admissions was well received. We held a Silent Auction to raise funds for Operations, filled goodie bags and held our club election. Several members attended various Muster ceremonies on April 21. And our Book Club met to determine the new slot of reads for the next year. WOW!



In May at the end of the year banquet we installed our new officers and honored two more Aggie graduates. We had one more Fundraiser at Belk and one more Aggie Mom Connecting activity at the Village Burger Bar.

The current board will meet one more time to finalize our year and enjoy a BBQ with family. We expect to fund our scholarships, send significant donations (approx. \$9,000) to numerous clubs and organizations and move forward with the plans for the next year.

Together we did achieve a great deal. Loyalty to TAMU, our club and to each other helped to make this year successful.

It's been a great year!

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Sincerely,

Robin McMahan, President DCAM 2017-2018