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Austin Texas A&M University Mothers' Club

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Upcoming Events

- **Oct. 14 Board & General Meeting**
- **Oct. 31 Last Day to Q-Drop a class (no penalty)**
- **Nov. 14-16 Aggie Mom's Weekend Retreat**
- **Nov. 18 Bonfire 1999 Remembrance Day**
- **27-28 Thanksgiving Holidays**

President's Message

Howdy Moms!

The Austin Aggie Moms are off to a wonderful start, this year! Our Howdy Night was a great success at Threadgill's, with many representatives from A&M departments and resources, Mayor Wynn's remembrances of A&M and those incredible door prizes.

Our September meeting featured Dr. Andrew Dale, the Director of the Student Health Services Center, as our guest speaker. It was so good to hear that TAMU has such a fine medical center for our student's use that includes emergency services, a women's clinic and a 24-hour "Dial-A-Nurse". He also informed us of the clinics on October 8 & 9 where the first 5000 students may receive a Free Flu Shot.

Our upcoming October 14th meeting will be a pot-luck dinner and we will be honored with one of our favorite speakers, resources and friend, Dr. Carol Binzer, A&M's Director of Student Life. As part of the Division of Student Affairs, Carol represents many resources that facilitate our student's responsible life choices and their rights and responsibilities of adulthood, including Greek life, student life, residence life, the women's center and the student counseling services. Carol is one of the most important resources to know at A&M, and the students love her. Be sure to plan on joining us!

If you have not already mailed in your membership form, please do so today. This is the last newsletter you will receive this year if you do not join the Austin Aggie Moms. We really want to get to know you, and you will be amazed at the wonderful ladies you will meet, and the incredible information and resources you will learn that are available for your student at Texas A&M University. Please feel free to call or email me if you have any questions about our club, our meetings or A&M resources. We are here for each other!

Gig-em Aggies! Carolyn Storey president@austinaggiemoms.org 512-441-0334

Austin Aggie Mom's Programs for 2008 - 2009

October 14	Dr. Carol Binzer, Director of Student Life
November 11	Past Presidents' Dinner at Austin Country Club
December 9	Christmas Gathering and traditional Aggie Gift Swap
January 16	Texas A & M University Singing Cadets
February	Bush Library Representative (Road Trip and Bush Library Tour)*
March 10	International Students Panel (tentative)
April	Dinner and recognition of Moms of Senior Aggies*
May 12	Guest speaker and Installation of Officers

We are still working to make this year a great combination of speakers from TAMU and gathering together. We are striving to bring information that will be useful and to make sure we connect with each other. If you have areas of interest of a speaker you think our club would be interested in, please contact Karen Allen. karenallen06@aol.com.

**New event for club*

BRING A FRIEND

Remember to bring a fellow Aggie Mom to our next meeting! Ask your Aggie Mom friends to join you at our meeting and introduce them to our wonderful group! Sometimes all we need to do is reach out a little and make a call, so BRING YOUR FRIENDS!

October 14 Meeting

The October meeting will be a pleasure for three reasons: it is a pot luck dinner (bring a side dish or dessert), bring a friend, and the speaker for the meeting is the ever popular Director of Student Life, Dr. Carol Binzer. Carol has spoken at Austin Aggie Moms' meetings in the past and she always provides parents with resources on all aspects of succeeding at TAMU. Bring your questions and bring paper to take notes. Dr. Binzer is a wealth of information!

What about bringing a friend? Knowing the value of Dr. Binzer's talk, any Aggie parent will benefit from attending and your invitation will make that happen.

Location: Cielo Building 2, 1st floor conference room (park in visitors parking slots)
1250 Capital of Texas Hwy South, Austin Texas

Time: Board (6:00 for social, 6:15 for meeting)
General meeting (7:15 social & dinner, 7:30 meeting).

Place: Cielo Building 2, 1st floor conference room
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BRACELET VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOME FOOTBALL GAMES

Austin Aggie Mom's has received permission to sell our James Avery bracelets at the Traditions Bookstore at 340 George Bush Dr. for 3 hours prior to home games. If you can volunteer to help sell on a game day please contact Judy Skeen (963-1465) or Danita Day (301-9930). We have the Kansas game on Oct. 11 covered but need volunteers for the other home games.



TEXAS A&M SINGING CADETS COMING TO AUSTIN

LET'S GET THE WORD OUT!

Our very own Texas A&M Singing Cadets, known internationally as the "Voice of Aggie Land", will be rolling into Austin for an evening filled with outstanding music, memorable humor, and loads of fun. This will be a fantastic time!

WAYS YOU CAN HELP!

- We will have posters to place around town so please be thinking now of where you can help us place them.
- We will need volunteers for the night of the event as well as to bake cookies.
- Let your families, friends and neighbors know the dates now!
- We will be having a raffle, if anyone has a business to advertise and wants to donate to our raffle, we will put their name in the program.

This is our one fund raising event, and all money raised goes to the Singing Cadets and local scholarships. Tickets go on sale in November, and will be \$10 per person.

Date: Friday January 16, 2009

Time: 7:30pm

Place: Great Hills Baptist Church

Questions?

Julia Black jblack13@austin.rr.com

Thanks so much and we look forward to having a great turn out!

Replant Day

One-day environmental service project which strives to improve the Bryan/College Station community, bring students together through tradition, and provide an avenue for environmental service and action through a yearly tree planting event.
2008 Replant Day, Oct. 25
replant.tamu.edu

*"There's a Spirit
can ne'er be
told..."*

Aggie Mom Camp 2008

(formerly known as Aggie Mom Fish Camp)

Aggie Moms Dancing the Night Away

If getting together with Aggie moms for an entire weekend of fun, fellowship, and entertainment sound fun to you, waste no more time in going to www.aggie moms.org. Once you have arrived at the website, click on Aggie Mom Camp for more details on how you can sign up to participate. **DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS OCTOBER 20, 2008!**

The weekend begins Friday night on November 14, 2008 and dances its way through to Sunday November 16, 2008. Aggie Moms will be "camping" out at the Hilton Hotel located on University Drive and have a variety of activities as well as speakers lined up to entertain you throughout your time in College Station. Plus you will have an opportunity to visit with your Aggie(s). Whoop!

Aggie Hotline

AGGIE HOTLINE is distributed each weekday to the Texas A&M University community. The complete story on most briefs may be found at: <http://tamunews.tamu.edu/>.

TO SUBSCRIBE TO AGGIE HOTLINE: Send an email message to listserv@tamu.edu. Leave the subject line blank and type the message: SUB Aggie-Hotline your-name.

Note: be sure to use a hyphen (not an underscore) between "Aggie" and "Hotline." Avoid sending signatures when subscribing. As an alternative, you may send mail to hotline@tamu.edu.

Exclusive Offering by the Austin Aggie Moms' Club James Avery Texas A&M Bracelet

Our club is very fortunate to hold the exclusive rights to the beautiful, classically designed block Texas A&M hook-on bracelet. We hold those rights thanks to the generosity of Patsy Nichols who designed and commissioned the original bracelet after her son, Travis, made her an Aggie Mom when he entered TAMU in 1999. Give a bracelet as a gift! Current Aggies, former students, Aggie Moms, faculty & staff will wear this bracelet with pride. Bracelets are available for purchase at monthly meetings or by using the order form on our website. Our income from the bracelets and the Singing Cadets concerts have enabled us to fund an endowed leadership scholarship at TAMU. We also grant several scholarships to Austin Aggies each spring and contribute to many campus organizations.

Sterling Silver \$125

Gold \$500

Order form and details : <http://www.austinaggie moms.org>

Look for us at Winter Boutique at the MSC - November 13 & 14 (tax free and no shipping)

Goody Bags for your Aggie

One of the perks of being a member of Austin Aggie Moms is that you can order one of our reasonably priced Goody Bags for exam time. Student Services also offers these treats for the students and the advantage of the Aggie Moms' is that it contains more "goodies" while costing less.

The goody bags are delivered to the students shortly before exam time. The snacks include a variety of food and drinks such as popcorn, peanut butter crackers, macaroni and cheese, bottled water, hot chocolate and cookies. There is also a gift card to a restaurant near campus.

To order a goody bag you can select that option on the "Membership" form on the Aggie Mom website www.austinaggie moms.org. There was also a goody bag form mailed in the August Aggie Moms newsletter. You are welcome to use either form. You simply need to submit your order with payment of \$15 per bag by November 1. This will guarantee your student receives the goody bag for the December exams. Orders for spring goody bags can be sent later. Please be sure to give accurate information for your student's email and cell phone number.

If you have questions, please contact Debbie Holzheuser at 263-9587 dholzheuser@austin.rr.com or Co-Chair Tamara Vannoy at 795-9370 tamara-vannoy@austin.rr.com



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"An Aggie does not lie, cheat or steal, or tolerate those who do."

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The Austin Texas A&M Mothers' Club, a nonprofit organization, meets monthly from September through May to form a closer relationship with other Aggie Moms, and to better understand and assist with the problems students face. The newsletter is published each month from August through May at the newsletter editor's home, 6406 Ira Ingram Drive, Austin, Texas, 78749.

To All New Aggie Moms:

We have a special gathering at Starbuck prior to the regular monthly meetings just for new Aggie Moms. Our Aggie Mom mentors Linda Danz and Julie Matthews will be on hand to answer questions. This is a great way to meet one another in a small setting, share ideas, concerns, questions, etc.

Meeting Time: 6 pm

Meeting Location: Starbucks Coffee Shop inside Barnes & Noble @ Bee Caves//360, The Village at Westlake
701 S. Capital of Texas Hwy.

Everyone can go from here to the general meeting. Hope to see you there.

Important Newsletter Notice: This is the last issue of the of the Austin Aggie Moms' Newsletter that will be mailed to non paid members and to your home. Starting in October the newsletter will be sent via email to paid members only. Paid members without an email address on file will receive a newsletter in the mail.

Reveille VIII

A 2-year-old female collie from Topeka, Kan., will continue Texas A&M University's decades-old mascot tradition and serve as Reveille VIII beginning this fall. Students may catch a glimpse of Reveille VIII on the Texas A&M campus over the next couple of weeks as she begins her mascot training.

<http://www.aggienetwork.com/Features/Reveille/>

REMINDER: FALL GOODY BAG ORDER FORM DEADLINE NOVEMBER 1, 2008