



Kingwood/Humble Area *Aggie Moms* Newsletter November 2015

President's Corner

Ghost and goblins, Oh my! Where has the time gone by! Hopefully we are keeping you engaged with Aggie Mom activities and meeting fellow Aggie Moms that you're not missing your student too much. Our Aggies are well on their way to their mid-terms and completing a Fall semester. Whoop! We love supporting our Aggies and one of the biggest ways to support them is by attending our 5th Annual Traditions Banquet – BOOTS AND WHOOPS on November 12th. We do it the Aggie way by having a real good time. You'll have live music and barbeque in a private event at The Overlook in Atascocita and you can relax, listen, dance, shop and win door prizes. Many of our Boutique items are crafted by our own Moms and are one of a kind gifts for you or your Aggie. This is a great opportunity to shop for Christmas gifts for the whole family. The night will conclude with the drawing of our winners for our six terrific raffle prizes. I believe every Aggie Dad put in a chance for the Yeti package. A few Moms did too because they want the tumbler while the Dad can have the cooler. And we plan to finish up by 9:30pm because it is a work night for many. So lots of reasons to make it a fun night out with us!

Take note! The November General Meeting is moved to the **first** Tuesday, November 3, to have some separation from the Banquet. This will be the final opportunity to purchase your banquet tickets. We will be having a student panel at the meeting and learning of some great student run activities and organizations that occur on campus for our Aggies. November is also the month when Elephant Walk occurs. So this is a fun tradition where the Senior Ags make their final way through the campus with the Junior Ags there to take their place as the new leaders on campus. Good luck to all of our Mom and Dads of Senior Ags because those job applications and interviews are making them as anxious to get them off the payroll as the students are of getting that first job! We won't have a General Meeting in December, but we will need your help with Goody Bags; making and packing treats as well as going to the campuses to make deliveries. Watch for those announcements to come.



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Join Us For A Boot Scootin' Time

Traditions Banquet hosted by Kingwood/Humble Aggie Moms

Howdy Y'all!

Come join us for a boot scootin' time at this year's fifth annual "Traditions Banquet,"



"BOOTS & WHOOPS"

The Overlook in Atascocita

Thursday, November 12th

Doors open at 6 pm



Enjoy some downhome BBQ with fixins', cash bar along with live country & western entertainment by *The Hall Brothers*, silent auction items, raffle drawing prizes, and door prizes. Our Aggie Mom Boutique will also be open for your shopping pleasure with unique gifts.

Plan to get your tickets early for this special night out which will be open to all men and women, and Aggies in our community. Banquet tickets are \$40.00 per person. Raffle tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 tickets for \$20.00. Banquet tickets may be purchased at Postnet, from any Aggie Mom Club member or online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/boots-and-whoops-banquet-tickets-18576410544>.

Proceeds support scholarships for our local Aggies.

Calling All Aggie Moms,

**We need tickets to be sold and monies to be turned in ASAP!
Tickets/monies must be turned in at Nov 3 General Meeting!**

Banquet volunteer opportunities can be found at this link:

[Aggie Mom Traditions Banquet - Nov. 12](#)

Volunteers Are Needed Before, During and After the Banquet

Before

Assist with the banquet decorations, silent auctions baskets and set-up

During

Assist with the boutique, silent auction and ticket collections

After

Assist with Pack-up/Clean-up

For more tickets or to help out, please contact Cheryl Chapman or TJ Hall.

Special Events Co-Chairs: Cheryl Chapman – bckachapman@comcast.net

TJ Hall – tj18.hall@yahoo.com

Goody Bags – **ORDER NOW!!! Deadline November 3rd**

Don't forget to order your Aggie a Goody Bag. Members can order a single Goody Bag (for either Fall or Spring semester) for \$35 but for only \$60.00 your Aggie will get both a Fall and Spring Goody Bag loaded with college favorites. Remember that Goody Bags also make great gifts for your Aggie's roommates or friends. Goody bags for the Fall and Spring will be hand delivered just in time for finals week. An order form can be found on our website – www.khaggiemoms.org. If you have any questions please email either Donna or Leaneta.

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Membership



Howdy. At our October General Meeting, membership grew by 5 new and 10 returning members. This is outstanding as your membership fee helps with scholarships and philanthropies for our Aggie students. As a member, you have the privilege of

voting, holding an office position and taking part in all activities associated with our club. Remember to get your **Aggieland Outfitters Aggie Mom VIP Card** as you sign in as this gives you a 12% discount on qualified purchases. Finally, make plans now to attend our next General Meeting where you will be able to hear the latest regarding student life on the A&M campus as well as socialize and get to know our new members.

Whoop! Gig'Em!

Membership Co-Chairs: Gloria Ortiz – zitroglo32@yahoo.com
 Rika Weinrich – weino2@yahoo.com

Programs

Rave Reviews for Donna Lang



Our Aggie Moms club was fortunate to have Dr. Donna Lang as our October speaker. As Vice President for Academic Operations, Dr. Lang is responsible for the general administration of all activities supporting the undergraduate programs and support services at Texas A&M Galveston.

She spoke to the group about the substantive changes college students undergo in the first year. The group had a great conversation about changes we've seen in our students, and Dr. Lang answered questions about gender differences, maturity levels, letting your kids fail and other topics. She also gave a great overview of TAMU Galveston; we all learned a lot about the Aggies by the Sea!

Come Hear Student Speakers at the November 3 Meeting

To better accommodate the Nov. 12 Traditions Banquet, our meeting for November will be on the first Tuesday of the month, **November 3**. The word “tradition” in Aggie terms usually conjures up images of older traditions like the Aggie ring, yell practice and muster. In the theme of traditions, we have invited student speakers from groups exhibiting some of the newer traditions of our beloved university:



Big Event: (bigevent.tamu.edu): Started in 1982, the Big Event is a tradition 33 years strong. This event is a way for the student body to express their gratitude to the Bryan/College Station community that supports Texas A&M. It has become the largest single day service event in the United States and has been replicated on 110 campuses worldwide. This organization strives to uphold the ideals of unity and service, and the importance of the event is the interaction between students and residents, and the unity that results throughout the community. We are pleased to have Mark Lutz, Director of 2016 Big Event as one of our Nov. 3 speakers.



CarPool: (carpool.tamu.edu): CARPOOL is a student-run 501(c)(3) non-profit organization serving the Bryan/College Station community with *free* rides home every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night from 10pm to 3am during the Spring and Fall semesters at Texas A&M University. Their motto is: *“It does not matter if you are a student or not, Aggie or not, or even intoxicated or not.”* If you live or are staying in the area and need a free, safe, and fun nonjudgmental ride home, be sure to give us a call!” CarPool is celebrating its 15th year. Founder Jeff Schiefelbein ('00) was honored as a 2014 recipient of TAMU's 12 Under 12 Young Alumni Spotlight. Our speaker is Ryan Montgomery. Ryan is a Construction Science, Texas A&M University '17 and serves as Director of Development, CARPOOL.



Maroon Coats: (txamfoundation.com): 2015 marks the 8th year of the Maroon Coats organization. A select group of highly involved student leaders at Texas A&M University, the Maroon Coats serve as the student ambassadors of the Texas A&M Foundation. The group enhances the impact of the Foundation through stewardship and service. Their duties include interacting with donors at special events, providing a student perspective during fundraising meetings, writing thank you notes to donors, and hosting donors or friends of the Foundation on campus visits. On Nov 3, we will have Maroon

Coat and former Corps Commander David Trigg, and Shannon Zwernemann '03, Maroon Coats Advisor.

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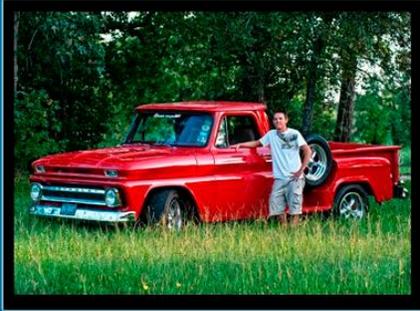


KH Aggie Moms was approached by Ryan Hill about a project called **Whoops for Troops**. Ryan helped us out as one of the Fish Camp counselors at this summer's Howdy Party. He serves as the executive director of development for the

student-led organization MSC LEAD which does a donation drive for care packages for our amazing troops serving overseas. They also get local Bryan/College Station elementary schools to decorate cards for the troops. The care packages this year will be delivered to the troops around Christmas time. Ryan is extremely excited to be coordinating this project and has reached out to KH Aggie Moms for help. We are asking moms to gather some of these items and bring them to the general meeting November 3. Here is a list of items needed. Jacque Havelka and Deb Cesarek will be collecting these items at the meeting.

- Phone cards (#1 most requested item; so they can phone their loved ones)
- VISA and Master Card gift cards (#2 most requested item; gives them maximum flexibility)
- Magazines (clean content)
- AA batteries and AAA batteries
- X-box games and Hand held game
- Sudoku
- Movie DVD's (clean content)
- Music CDs (clean content)
- Small earphones
- 1 GB and 2 GB USB memory sticks (external hard drives) (blank)
- Books (clean content)
- Liquid Hand Sanitizer
- Disposable razors – men's and women's
- Chapstick
- Combs, Brushes, and Hair Gel
- Contact Solution and Eye Drops
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste, toothbrushes, and floss
- Tylenol, Motrin, Advil, Aspirin packets
- Body Wash and Facial Wash
- Cotton Swabs and Band-aids
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Sunblock, Lotion, Aloe Vera Gel
- ****No Canned Foods****
- Beef jerky
- Protein Powders
- Tuna in foil packages
- Seeds (Sunflower, pumpkin, etc...)
- Condiments
- Trail Mix, Granola Bars, Cereal, and Oatmeal
- Tins and packets of flavored coffee and cappuccino
- Candy
- Gum and Breath mints
- Crackers and Cookies
- Dry soup

Taylor Byron Roy Memorial Scholarship



TAYLOR BYRON ROY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



Established: 2012 by Taylor Byron Roy's Family & Friends

KH Aggie Moms wants to highlight the Taylor Byron Roy Memorial Scholarship in this issue of our newsletter. The young man for whom this scholarship is named was a loving son, brother, grandson, and friend. Taylor passed away in March 2012. The hope in this scholarship is to allow his legacy to live on by giving other TAMUG students the opportunity to succeed in their college careers and their development into adulthood. This scholarship is provided to full-time students in good standing pursuing an undergraduate degree in Maritime Administration or Marine Transportation from Texas A&M University at Galveston. The recipient is required to have attended and graduated from a public, private or home school in the Kingwood area. The applicant must also submit an essay demonstrating the qualities and characteristics he/she possesses and that were exemplified by Taylor.

As an Aggie born and raised, Taylor was proud to be a part of this tremendous community we call "bleeding maroon." He started at Texas A&M University at Galveston as a Maritime Transportation major, later realizing he liked the logistics of shipping and thus changed his major to Maritime Administration. He was an "old soul" and was not scared to make changes in life in order to follow his dreams. It was for this reason that he found his niche at TAMUG so quickly and easily. Taylor had a knack for finding an adventure in everything and making the most of difficult situations. He loved long boarding along the seawall and frisbee on the beach. One of Taylor's proudest accomplishments was restoring a 1966 Chevy pick-up with his father, extended family and friends. Anyone who knew Taylor would describe him as a loyal protector, willing to give the shirt off of his back without question. He never had to be asked to be a gentleman and gladly went above and beyond at his job and his home life to be a hard worker. Even the family dogs played favorites when he was around and knew exactly where they could get unconditional love. More information about this scholarship is available in the TAMUG Financial Aid Office.



Social

Thank you to everyone who provided refreshments for our October meeting. Aside from the insightful speakers we hear, awesome friendships we make, and amazing fundraisers that we plan...delicious snacks are another great reason to come to Aggie Moms Club meetings! We rely on members bringing food items to share each month. If you would like to sign-up to bring a snack to one of our monthly meetings, please email Kim Levy at kimboxlev@gmail.com or go to: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0449aaad2daafe3-social> and we will place you on the schedule. Thank you!



Social Co-Chairs: Kim Levy – kimboxlev@gmail.com
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Scholarship and Philanthropy

Howdy! We were so happy to see all of you new Aggie Moms again and are looking forward to our November meeting. Please remember to stop by the Scholarship and Philanthropy table and enter your student's name for a chance to receive a student award. The Kingwood/Humble Area Aggie Moms is pleased to award two \$200 student awards at each of our general meetings.

Thanks and Gig 'em!

Scholarship and Philanthropy Chairs: Cathy Raney - cmraney@suddenlink.net
 Angela Wisenbaker - angelaw@wisenbaker.com



Dates to Remember



**November 3 6:30 pm General Meeting, Christ the King Lutheran Church
 (Last Day to Order Goody Bags)**
November 12 6:00 pm Traditions Banquet, The Overlook in Atascocita



Want more information about our club's activities? Join the Kingwood/Humble Area Aggie Moms Facebook Group!

Student Activities

Activities for AGGIE Students, Families and Friends

Athletics

Remaining Home Football Games

- October 31st - South Carolina Gamecocks
- November 7th-Auburn Tigers
- November 14th- Western Carolina Catamounts



Activities

Rudder Theatre & MSC OPAS Presents *An Acoustic Evening with Lyle Lovett & John Hiatt*



Two veteran singer/songwriters join forces for a unique and intimate acoustic performance and deliver one of the most compelling and spontaneous concerts on the road. A Grammy Award-winning singer, composer and actor, Lyle Lovett is one of music's most vibrant and iconic performers. He has broadened the definition of American music, fusing elements of

country, swing, jazz, folk, gospel and blues in a manner that defies convention and breaks down barriers. It is no surprise that the Americana Music Association awarded him its inaugural Trailblazer Award. John Hiatt is a talented singer and guitarist best known for his prolific songwriting. His songs have been covered by musicians from Bonnie Raitt and the Neville Brothers to Iggy Pop and Three Dog Night. He was inducted into the Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame and won the Americana Music Association's Lifetime Achievement Award in 2008. www.msccopas.org

Songfest is the annual philanthropy event of the Texas A&M Chapter of Chi Omega that features performances by over 20 uniquely talented Aggie student organizations. It is a fun, lively event that brings a huge group of students together in an effort to better our community. Funds raised through Songfest are donated to Chi Omega's philanthropies, the Make-A-Wish Foundation and Still Creek Ranch, as well as the participating organizations' represented philanthropies.



Eats!

Napa Flats: Located at 1727 Texas Avenue. Napa Flats offers a variety of food on their menu from pasta & pizza to steaks & seafood. They also have a pastry chef that makes an array of gelato & desserts to die for! Check out this new addition to College Station whenever you are in town!



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Help Us Help Your Students

Join us in our fund-raising efforts. If you shop at Randalls or Kroger, we are asking you to link your current rewards card number to our organization. We are recognized as a 501(c)(3) organization. This is a quick and easy way to participate and our club earns a small percentage of all of your purchases. Our Kroger Group Number is **82937**. Registrations only last one year so **you must re-register your Kroger card each year**. Our Randalls Group Number is **3873**. **Please take a moment to link your rewards numbers today and help us meet our scholarship goals.** More information can be found on our website (www.khaggiemoms.org) under "Special Offers". **Thanks!**



**Join us at our next Aggie Moms Club Meeting:
 Tuesday, November 3rd @ 6:30 pm
 Christ the King Lutheran Church,
 3803 W. Lake Houston Pkwy
 Kingwood, 77339**