



Kingwood/Humble Area Aggie Moms Newsletter October 2014

President's Corner

I was overwhelmed at the awesome turnout at our first September General Meeting! Welcome and HOWDY to so many new Aggie Moms and our returning Moms! We are welcoming Aggie Moms not only from Kingwood and Humble (as our name sounds limiting), but also from Atascocita, Cleveland, Huffman, New Caney, NE Houston, Porter, Summerwood, and Splendora. Whether this is your first off to college or the one emptying your nest, we offer so many opportunities to stay connected with your Aggie. Our normal meeting format is socialization, light refreshments, and boutique shopping, followed by a featured speaker, and closing with short club business which includes awarding student awards and door prizes. So as our Aggies get settled into their Fall semester routine, we want you to get settled into a fun Aggie Mom routine joining us each first Tuesday of the month.

Yes, we have monthly informative speakers to introduce or refresh your knowledge about some services or events that every Mom should know about, but we also have many opportunities for you to get involved. As much as your time will allow and your heart needs. You can plan on having a fun time just attending our annual Traditions Banquet and you can volunteer to assist our Special Events Chairs in time, talents or treasures. You will also have the opportunity to bake from the heart to send out with our Goody Bags, pack them with love, and travel to the campuses to hand them out. You can assist Social with providing a refreshment at the meeting. You can help Membership reach out to any Aggie Moms we've missed. After the first initial mail out for the Howdy Party, we do not continue mail outs. You can craft with our boutique ladies and later in the Spring semester help them to sell at our booth during Parents Weekend. And there will be a Scholarship Committee and a Nominations Committee forming at the first of the year as well as help doing our biannual Bylaws review and our Financial Audit Committee over the summer. Don't be shy. We want to know you! We want to share your Aggie's accomplishments and to lend a shoulder when it's not so good either. We want to be your Aggie Network!

Lisa Lawrence '81 President 832-644-5723 Lisa2busy@gmail.com



"Traditions" Banquet:

This year the Kingwood/Humble Area Aggie Moms Club will host their fourth annual "Traditions Banquet". The Banquet will be held at The Overlook in Atascocita on Wednesday, November 12th with the doors opening at 6:00 pm. The theme for this year's banquet is "HOWDY TAILGATE". So come and enjoy an excellent BBQ dinner along with entertainment and guest speaker Dave South, the broadcast announcer for Aggie football. There will be many silent/live auction items, drawings for six raffle prizes, as well as drawings for door prizes throughout the evening. Also, our boutique will be available with several unique gifts to purchase. We are currently selling raffle tickets which may be purchased at our general meetings, from any of our Aggie Club board members, or at Alspaugh's. Plan to get your tickets early for this special night which will be open to all men and women in the community. There are many areas which we will need help in planning the banquet, including decorating committee, silent auction committee, and set-up tear down committee so if you are interested please contact Gayle Keller or Geralyn Sullivan.

Special Events Co-Chairs: Gayle Keller - <u>keller6@suddenlink.net</u>

Geralyn Sullivan - <u>kphsmommy@gmail.com</u>

Programs – October Meeting Speaker

We are looking forward to seeing all of you at our October 7th Aggie Moms Meeting. We have a great speaker from Texas A&M - CARPOOL who will be sharing information that is a MUST for your student to know. As a parent, you will be delighted to know the service that is provided for them. If you have a friend you would like to bring with you, please do! Everyone is welcome! If you have any questions, feel free to contact me or any board member. See you there!



Programs Chair: Carolyn Suydam - carolyn.suydam@insperity.com

Goody Bags – ORDER NOW!!! – Deadline November 1st

Don't forget to order your Aggie a Goody Bag. Members can order a single Goody Bag for either Fall or Spring semester for \$30 but for only \$50.00 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. The order form can be downloaded from the website: www.khaggiemoms.org. If you have any questions please email either Angela or Terri.

Goody Bags Co-Chairs: Angela Wisenbaker - angelaw@wisenbaker.com

Terri Gibson - tgibson3@kingwoodcable.com

Social



Thank you to everyone who provided refreshments for our September meeting. Aside from the wonderful 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 Cherryl Peterson at cherrylp@kingwoodcable.net and we will place you on the schedule. Thank you!

Social Co-Chairs: Kim Levy - kimboxlev@gmail.com

Cherryl Peterson - cherrylp@kingwoodcable.net

Publicity



Hello everyone from the Publicity Committee. We will be submitting articles to the Observer in October to publicize the banquet and general meetings. Please email jacquehavelka@yahoo.com if there is anything else you'd like to publicize for our club. In addition, if anyone has an extra copy of the scholarship article that was published in the June 25 Observer, I would love to have it if you don't need it. I had 2 but gave them away to other committees for use at the Howdy Party. Thanks!

Publicity Chair: Jacque Havelka – winepig1@yahoo.com

Membership

Howdy Aggie Moms and Happy Fall! Thank You to all those that have joined our group so far this year. Our Membership total is now at 127! We are an active and growing group and our goal is to involve YOU! Fill out a membership form today and be a part of it all! Membership forms may be found on our website at www.khaggiemoms.org and by attending our monthly meetings. Our next meeting is scheduled for October 7th. WHOOP!

SIGN UP TODAY

Membership Co-Chairs: Donna Hunter - sbmktd@gmail.com

Gayle Howell - born2shop321@yahoo.com

Aggie Boutique and Laser Graphics

*** SHOP OUR AGGIE BOUTIQUE ***

Aggie Boutique is OPEN for business for your shopping pleasure at our monthly meetings. Handmade items on sale include: "HOWDY" shirts, picture frames, fabric covered composition books, denim "HOWDY" key chains, Aggie Ring Boxes, coasters, and much more!

Aggie Boutique is busy crafting special holiday items for that special Aggie! Be sure to come see us at the Holiday "Traditions" Banquet November 12th! Proceeds help fund local AGGIE scholarships and philanthropy efforts.

In planning ahead, be sure to mark your Spring calendar to join us in College Station for Parent Weekend on Friday, April 17th and Saturday, April 18th in the upper level of the MSC (Memorial Student Center) for the best Aggie Boutique in Texas! Aggie Moms organizations from all over the state will come together on this one weekend to sell more Aggie merchandise than you can ever imagine in one place. Kingwood/Humble Aggie Moms is a popular stop for Aggie Ring Boxes and so much more!

Boutique Co-Chairs: TJ Hall - tj18.hall@yahoo.com

Lisa Ogle - <u>blessedwithboys@cebridge.net</u>
Jamii Hanney - <u>jamii.hanney@humble.k12.tx.us</u>

Scholarship and Philanthropy

Howdy! The Kingwood/Humble Area Aggie Moms were pleased to award two \$200 student awards at their September General Meeting. Winners of the student awards were: Michelle Lawrence (Class of 2016) and Michael Ogle (Class of 2017). We would like to give a special "Shout Out" to Lieutenant H. Allan Baron '90 from the Texas A&M University Police Department. Along with being our guest speaker for the night, Lt. Baron assisted us in drawing the student awards and also the door prizes for several lucky Moms. We really enjoyed meeting so many new Aggie Moms and look forward to getting to know you better. We will see you at the October meeting. Be sure to

stop by the Scholarship and Philanthropy table and enter your child's name for a chance to receive a student award. Two student awards are given out at each meeting.

Thanks and Gig'em Aggies!

Scholarship and Philanthropy Co-Chairs: Paula Beck - paulabeck@kingwoodcable.com

Karen Ehlig - karenehlig@gmail.com

Student Activities

Activities for AGGIES Students, Families and Friends



FOOTBALL, TAILGAITING and THE SPIRIT OF AGGIELAND GAME DAY TAILGATING...a great way to optimize your GAME DAY experience! It's extremely important to follow the TAILGATING GUIDELINES... http://tailgating.tamu.edu/

CORPS of CADETS and "STEP-Off"... the tradition continues.

For more info on STEP-Off and other Corps activities, go to http://corps.tamu.edu/Texas-AM-Corps-of-Cadets/game-day.html

- *First Call 2 hours 15 min BEFORE kickoff
- *STEP-OFF 1 hour 30 min BEFORE kickoff
- *Enter Kyle Field PMC 1 hour 10 min BEFORE kickoff, Corps 1 hour BEFORE kickoff

TRANSPORTATION and PARKING...FYI

On HOME football game days, TRANSPORTATION SERVICES will offer transit service from certain routes to THROCKMORTON STREET (on campus). The service starts running 2 hours before kick-off time and STOPS 5 minutes prior to kick-off. Service is NOT provided during the game, but does resume with the final cannon shot at the end of the game and lasts ONE HOUR after the official game end time. Transportation and Parking updates at http://transport.tamu.edu/mobileroutes

JUST A REMINDER...AGGIE Soccer, Volleyball, Tennis, Cross Country, Equestrian and Golf Seasons are in full swing...support ALL of our AGGIE ATHLETICS!!

ARTS & Exhibits

In Company with Angels: 7 Rediscovered Tiffany Windows at Forsyth Galleries Virginia Fleck Exhibition at Langford Architecture Center, Bldg. A (until Oct. 15)

Offshore Oil: The Promise of Discovery at Bush Library

OPAS: Anything Goes (Musical), Oct. 21

Places to Eat: B-CS Top 10:

1. Hullabaloo Diner

5. Laynes

9. Fuzzy's Taco Shop

2. Christopher's World Grill

6. Cafe Eccell

10. Dixie Chicken

3. Freebirds

6. Cale Eccell

7. Veritas Wine and Bistro

4. Madden's Casual Gourmet

8. La Bodega Baja Taco Bar

Student Activities Chair: Lori Pinkston - lori.pinkston@gmail.com

♦ ♦ October Dates to Remember ♦ ♦ ♦

October 4 - Football @ Mississippi State
October 7 - Aggie Moms General Meeting at 6:30
October 11 - Football vs Ole Miss
October 18 - Football @ Alabama

Join us at our next Aggie Moms Club Meeting: Tuesday, October 7 @ 6:30 pm Christ the King Lutheran Church 3803 W. Lake Houston Pkwy Kingwood 77339

Visit our website at www.khaggiemoms.org