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www.AggieMoms.org



Federation of Texas A&M University Mothers' Clubs



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a wonderful year! I have enjoyed visiting with so many of you in your local clubs this year and hope to see you in a few weeks at Aggie Mom Boutique 2014, our spectacular on-campus fund raiser for Aggie Moms' Clubs during Parents Weekend (April 11-12). Last year was a wonderful success when Boutique returned to the MSC (Memorial Student Center) - the place where Boutique began many years ago. This spring, Aggie Mom Boutique will occupy most of the second floor of the MSC with raffle tables in all the hallways. You will be able to shop to your heart's content for wonderful treasures, many handmade by other Aggie Moms. The MSC also provides food venues, an ATM for your convenience, and opportunities to visit with friends and family in a very comfortable setting.

Early in March, I was honored to spend the afternoon with Rachel Gonzales (Federation President in 1983-1984) and Helen Halliburton (Federation President in 2006-2007) in San Antonio. Amy Bacon, Adelle Hedleston, Helen and I spent a wonderful afternoon talking about the rich history of the Federation of Aggie Moms with Rachel...a priceless afternoon!!

Your clubs have generously welcomed Amy Bacon and Adelle Hedleston, representing the Texas A&M University Libraries, into your local club meetings and events throughout the year. I know that they have appreciated spending time with you and I hope that you have learned more about the libraries that support your sons and daughters as they pursue their education at Texas A&M. Truly Aggie Moms and University Libraries are "Keys to Discovery" for our wonderful students.

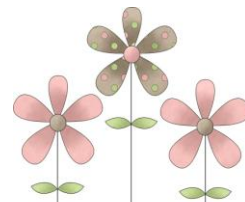
Officer elections and the Spring Federation Meetings will be held during Parents Weekend. President-Elect Linda Schmidt will dedicate her Yearbook for the coming year on Friday, April 11 at 5:30 PM in Koldus 110-111. The dedication will then be followed by officer elections for 2014-2015. The slate of officers is listed in this newsletter. Our Spring Federation Program and Installation follows on Saturday morning, April 12. Registration will open at 8:00 AM in Koldus 110-111 and Reveille will be joining us. The meeting will begin at 8:30 AM. The Singing Cadets will join us and Dr. Hussey will share a few words. This program will be followed immediately by the installation of officers for the 2014-2015 Federation Board and a reception for the outgoing Board.

I hope to see you at Boutique and at our Spring Federation Meetings. Safe travels to Aggieland!

Thanks and Gig 'em—
Jeanne Harrell

**LOOK FOR THE
AGGIE MOM CAMP '14 BOOTH AT BOUTIQUE
Debi Fincher & Kim Kovar
AMC '14 Co-Chairs**

*AMC '14 Boutique is Oct. 24-26, 2014
Anyone interested in being a counselor or staff, email
dfincher@tamus.edu*



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR REGISTRATION AT OUR FEDERATION MEETINGS ON APRIL 11TH AND 12TH!

Howdy! Registration just won't be the same without YOU!

We need 8 volunteers to man the Registration tables for our Federation meetings in April. Please email or call me if you and your friends would like to join us in welcoming members and visitors to the Spring Federation Meetings. You can help out at one meeting or at both meetings.

We need help beginning at 5:00 PM on Friday, April 11th with registration and passing out voting delegate cards until the meeting begins at 5:30 PM. On Saturday morning, April 12th, assistance is needed from 8:00 AM until the meeting begins at 8:30 AM. Please join our team and meet lots of Aggie moms, University staff and guests.

Thanks!

Fran Marintsch
3rd VP Registration
marintsf@peoplepc.com or 713-201-1407

2013-2014

Federation Officers

**President:**

Jeanne Harrell

Honorary President:

Mrs. Mark Hussey

Vice President @ Large:

Dawn Powell

President Elect:

Linda Schmidt

1st Vice President:

Troie Pruett Burch '77

2nd Vice President:

Sharon Johnson

3rd Vice President:

Fran Marintsch

4th Vice President:

Karen Allen

5th Vice President:

Ginger Morton

6th Vice President:

Prissy Urban

7th Vice President:

Cindy Dube

8th Vice President:

Robin Galvin '79

Recording Secretary:

Peggy Nolan

Treasurer:

Carolyn Phelan '89

Historian:

Bernadette Bennett '84

Electronic Information:

Kari Roush (volunteer)

Parliamentarian:

Katie Latham '80

Corresponding Secretary:

Colleen Holmes '76

Aggie Mom Camp Directors:

Rochelle Pena

Hospitality Directors:

Debi Fincher

Kim Kovar

District 5 Honors Mrs. Alice Stried on March 22 in Georgetown

Mrs. Alice Stried is an inspiration to all of us in the Williamson County Aggie Moms' Club. She has been a member for 50 years; joining the club when her son, Dr. Ron Stried, '71, was a Freshman in 1964. She is 87 years old and still attends every meeting and every event the club holds. If she misses, you can bet she has a very good excuse such as having the flu or falling and possibly breaking a bone. Alice believes that you mark the meeting on your calendar so that it takes first priority over everything else for that date, then you show up and you get involved! She is very passionate about being an Aggie Mom and what we do for our Aggies and Texas A&M. Alice Stried is the epitome of what an Aggie Mom is and we're proud to call her one of our own.

Contributed by Janet Graef

**Aggie Moms and University Libraries: Keys to Discovery**

Howdy!

I am still meeting new moms and introducing them to the wonderful world of Aggie Moms! I have attended two transfer student conferences in January and shared our Aggie Mom story to parents of new Aggies. The families were so excited about their new students starting this chapter of their lives at Aggieland! I received almost 60 more interest forms from new Aggie Moms, including four Adopt-a-Moms from Florida, Hawaii, Kansas and Wisconsin. I'm in the process of contacting clubs, so that they can invite these ladies into their folds. Thanks to the ladies from my local club, NW Harris County Aggie Moms, and our federation officers for their help this winter.

Gig'em, Robin Galvin '79, 8th VP Parent Socials**AGGIE MOM BOUTIQUE - PARENTS' WEEKEND**

The Federation of Texas A&M University Mothers' Club will host its annual Aggie Moms' Boutique during Parents' Weekend. Boutique will be open for sales on the upper level of the Memorial Student Center in the Ballrooms. Raffle tables will be located in the corridors outside of the ballrooms. Boutique hours are 10:00 AM until 5 PM on Friday, April 11 - 9 AM until 5 PM on Saturday, April 12.

Since Boutique is open during the Saturday morning Federation meeting is Koldus, please encourage your Aggies and Aggie dads to assist your club sales people so you and members of your club can attend the Spring Federation Meeting.

Details about Boutique are available on the Aggie Mom website: www.aggie moms.org. If you have questions or concerns, please contact me at gingmort@aol.com or (903) 681-4470.

We are so very excited to be returning to the MSC this year for Boutique. Hope to see you there!

Ginger Morton, Federation 5th VP - Boutique**YEARBOOK CORRECTIONS****Kingwood/Humble Texas A&M Mothers' Club**

President: Joyce Biscoe

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President: Patty Campbell

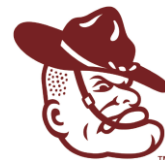
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DISTRICT MEETINGS UPDATE

As 6th Vice President in charge of Districts, I would like to thank all of the Aggie Moms who attended the District meetings held January 19th in College Station. Also a special Aggie Mom thank you to those Aggie Mom Clubs who planned and prepared those great District Meetings, they were each special and fun filled.

District 1 & 2 – Denton County and SW Dallas County

District 3 - Angelina County

District 4 - Kingwood / Humble

District 6 - Houston

District 9 - San Angelo

District 11 - Laredo

Following the District Meetings, Aggie Moms shopped at a truly awesome mini boutique, buying those one of a kind Aggie items. Thank you to all those clubs who participated, you truly made it a great shopping venue.

I would also like to thank those clubs who hosted or will be hosting their District meetings in their District. Each was or will be memorable.

District 5 - Williamson County – March 22 in Georgetown

District 10 - Lubbock – March 1st in Lubbock

District 14 - El Paso – October 12th in El Paso

I have been contacting clubs in regards to hosting their District meetings in 2014-2015. So many of you have agreed to host and I appreciate your willingness to do so. Thank you!

Prissy Urban

Federation of TAMU Mothers' Club

6th VP-Districts

FORM D (CLUB REPORTS) REMINDER

Howdy Ladies,

It is that time of year once again to send in your Club reports. It is the perfect time for those Aggie Brags about your club and all the activities that went on throughout the year. If you have not already, please complete and send Form D to Karen Allen, 4th VP of Projects. A hard copy or e-mail version should have been completed and mailed by March 15th, but if you have not sent it, please send form D as soon as possible. You will find the form on the Federation website. Go to www.aggie moms.org The form is under Resources.

For mailing:

Karen Allen

4721 River Hollow Court

Bryan, Texas 77808

For e-mailing:

Karenallen06@aol.com

If you have questions about the form, please let me know. I am happy to help.

Thanks and Gig 'Em,

4th VP-Projects

Karen Allen



2013-2014 District Liaisons



District 1:

Peggy Nolan

District 2:

Troie Burch '77

District 3:

Ginger Morton

District 4:

Cindy Dube

District 5:

Karen Allen

District 6:

Fran Marintsch

District 7:

Sharon Johnson

District 8:

Carolyn Phelan '89

District 9:

Katie Latham '80

District 10:

Debi Fincher

District 11:

Robin Galvin '79

District 12:

Prissy Urban

District 14 & 15:

Bernadette Bennett '84

Club Problems:

Linda Schmidt

Former Federation President

Dawn Powell



NOMINATING COMMITTEE SETS SLATE OF OFFICERS

Thanks to the Federation Nominating Committee that met in College Station on Saturday, March 8, 2014 to develop the slate of officers for the coming year.

Officer elections will be held Friday, April 11 at 5:30 PM in Koldus 110-111. Linda Schmidt from the Dewitt-Lavaca Aggie Mom Club will serve as Federation President for the coming year and will lead the board of elected and appointed officers.

The committee has proposed the following slate of officers for 2014-2015:

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| President | Linda Schmidt | District 11 | Dewitt-Lavaca |
| Vice President at Large | Jeanne Harrell | District 4 | Brazos County |
| President-Elect | Troie Burch '77 | District 2 | Collin County |
| 1 st VP Membership | Cindy Dube | District 6 | Friendswood/Clear Creek |
| 2 nd VP Programs | Carolyn Phelan '89 | District 8 | Comal County |
| 3 rd VP Registration | Unfilled | | |
| 4 th VP Projects | Peggy Nolan | District 2 | Dallas County |
| 5 th VP Boutique | Shannon Eberle | District 4 | NW Harris County |
| 6 th VP Districts | Janet Graef | District 5 | Williamson County |
| 7 th VP Yearbook | Jana Tate | District 8 | San Antonio |
| 8 th VP Parent Socials | Unfilled | | |
| Recording Secretary | Ginger Morton | District 3 | Henderson County |
| Treasurer | Sharon Johnson | District 7 | Orange County |
| Historian | Fran Marintsch | District 6 | Houston |

**PARENTS' WEEKEND 2014 EVENTS**

- Dedication of 2014-2015 Yearbook
Federation Officer Elections
Friday 5:30 pm Koldus 110-111
- Midnight Yell at Arts & Humanities
Building Amphitheater
Friday - Midnight
- Spring Federation Meeting
Saturday 8:00 am Registration
8:30 am Program and Installation
Koldus 110-111
- Taste of Aggiland, Duncan Field
Saturday 11:00am-2:00pm
- Aggie Moms' Boutique
Upper Level of MSC
Friday 10:00 am-5:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am-5:00 pm

DISTRICT AND CLUB EVENTS IN JANUARY AND MARCH

For complete information see this website
<http://parentsweekend.tamu.edu/events>

SPRING FEDERATION MEETINGS – PARENTS WEEKEND 2014

Yearbook Dedication and Election of 2014-2015 Officers

Friday, April 11, 2014 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM
Koldus 110-111



Spring Meeting and Installation of 2014 – 2015 Officers

Saturday, April 12, 2014
Registration 8:00 AM
Meeting 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM
Koldus 110-111

Reception Honoring 2013-2014 Federation Board

Saturday, April 12, 2014 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
Koldus 110-111

HELP THE FEDERATION HISTORIAN

Howdy Aggie Moms! I am working on the Federation Scrapbooks for President Jeanne Harrell and would like to have items from your club's celebrations, meetings, activities, and special events. Please send me copies of invitations, newsletters or photographs, etc. that your club president, historian or photographer may have. Pictures from each of the District Meetings held on campus are also needed.

Send items to:

Bernadette Bennett, Federation Historian

Bernadette929@yahoo.com

Please email me if you have any questions.

I look forward to hearing from you!



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