

# HOUSTON AGGIE MOMS

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## Welcome to the Second Half!

I am so proud to present our winter newsletter as it reflects what our many members have contributed over the past seven months as we continue to pay tribute to our last 90 years.



As of this newsletter we are 300 members strong and want each of our members to seek out ways to become more involved with Houston Aggie Moms such as considering a position on our board. Please contact Patti Turner, Nominating Committee Chairman or Beverly Krell, Immediate Past President to find out more information.

We have enjoyed wonderful meetings this past fall including presentations from the BUILD program, Representative Bill Flores and Dr. Daniel Pugh. Our members also participated in four fundraising/volunteer events that included Kendra Scott, the Houston Food Bank, a Stella & Dot wine party and our annual Christmas luncheon. Be looking for more information on our Spring social events.

Coming up is the Federation of Aggie Moms' Winter Dinner and Meeting in College Station on January 20-21 and I encourage you to come along. You can find more information on the Federation website or you can contact me at [jgunter@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jgunter@sbcglobal.net).

We are also counting down the days to our Annual Crazy Auction held on Friday, February 3 at the Greek Orthodox Cathedral's Martel Hall. All of the net proceeds go

directly to benefitting Texas A&M University scholarships and programs.

March 31 is the deadline to apply for a Houston Aggie Mom Scholarship. An application and guidelines can be found at [www.houstonaggie MOMS.com](http://www.houstonaggie MOMS.com).

Please join your student and other families at Family Weekend in College Station, April 7-9. Many events are planned by student committees and it is the best time to shop for signature Aggie gear.

You'll find information about all of this and more in this newsletter, as well as how to support the Houston Aggie Mom Scholarship Fund by purchasing Benjamin Knox's numbered and signed print "Aggie Mom Quilt."

I am grateful for the opportunity to work with each of you and considerate it a privilege to represent you. You are an amazing group of women who support our students and Texas A&M University! Whoop!

**Jana Gunter**

**2016-2017 President**

**Houston A&M University Mothers' Club**

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## Scholarship Deadline Looming!

Houston A&M University Mothers' Club Scholarships are awarded annually at a reception in May. Applications are due by March 31, 2017. Please go to <http://houstonaggie moms.aggienetwork.com/houston-aggie-moms-club-scholarships/> to get more information and to download the scholarship application. Applications will not be accepted if they are not postmarked by March 31, 2017.

In April, 1952, Houston A&M University Mothers' Club proudly established Award Scholarships administered through the Texas A&M University Student Financial Aid Department. Today Houston A&M University Mothers' Club is recognized as a member of the A&M Legacy Society: Heritage Membership, those who have given \$1,000,000 to \$4,999,999 to the University.

The following list are scholarships funded by endowments established by the many devoted Mothers before us. More information can be found at <https://scholarships.tamu.edu> or in the [scholarship handbook](#).

## Endowed Scholarships

**Endowed Academic Excellence Scholarship** (Funded 7 one year scholarships at \$1000 each)

- Awards are based on scholastic records, activities, leadership positions, work experience and in some cases financial need. Awarded at the end of the spring semester for the following academic year. The award can range from \$500 for one year up to \$10,000 for three years. The student must be a full time student and maintain competitive scholarships of at least \$4,000 per academic year beginning this year.

- Deadline: February 1

**75th Anniversary Endowed Scholarship** (Funded 1 one year scholarship at \$1,000)

- Two \$1,000 scholarships in recognition of the 75th Anniversary of the Houston A&M University Mothers' Club.

**President's Endowed Scholarship** (Funded 1 four year scholarship at \$3,000 per year)

- Awarded to incoming freshman. Apply through the ApplyTexas Application. Minimum SAT and/or ACT requirements.
- \$3,000 a year for 4 years
- Must maintain a 3.5 cumulative GPR
- Deadline: December 1

**Sul Ross Scholarships** (Funded 5 one year scholarships at \$1,200 each)

- Awarded to a member of the Corps of Cadets. Apply through the ApplyTexas Application.
- Go to <http://corps.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/ScholarshipFAQ.pdf> for more info.
- \$1,200 per year for two years (renewable)
- Deadline: December 1

**Endowed Opportunity Award Scholarships** (Funded 2 one year scholarship at \$1,250 each)

- Awarded to incoming freshmen with outstanding high school records. Apply through the ApplyTexas Application.
- Awards range from \$100 to \$12,500 per year.
- The student must be a full time student and maintain competitive scholarships of at least \$4,000 per academic year beginning this year.
- Deadline: December 1

**Endowed Outstanding Mathematics Teaching Assistant Awards** (Funded 5 stipends of \$100 each)

- Five stipends of \$100 each plus a Certificate of Excellence awarded to Teaching Assistants in the Mathematics Department.
- Address inquiries to the Head of the Mathematics Department, Emil J. Straube at [head@math.tamu.edu](mailto:head@math.tamu.edu).

**Spirit of Bonfire '99 Scholarship** (Funded 1 one year scholarship at \$1,350)

- In memory of the 12 Aggies who died in the Bonfire Tragedy of 1999.

**Robert L. Boone Endowed Scholarship** (Funded 2 one year scholarships at \$750 each)

- Scholarship awarded to Singing Cadets

**Global Study Scholarship; Study Abroad** (Funded 1 one year scholarship at \$1000)

- Fall: Opens March 1, Deadline April 1
- Spring/Winter: Opens September 10, Deadline October 12
- Summer : Opens October 15, Deadline February 1
- Minimum GPA is 2.5

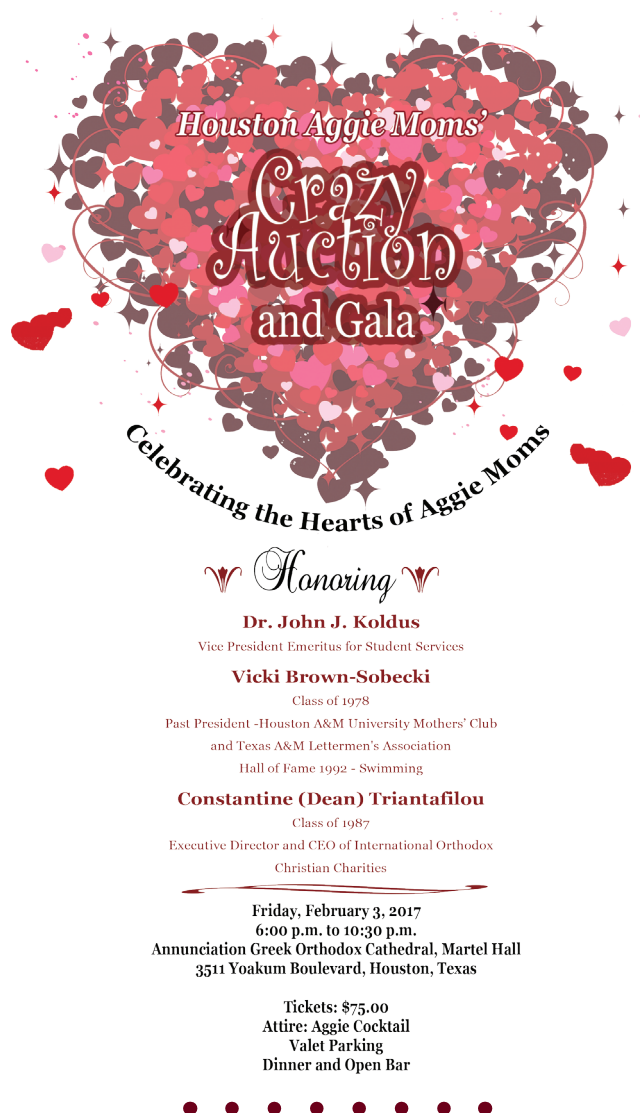
## Programs

In addition to the scholarships, Houston Aggie Moms is proud to have provided funds for TAMU Mothers Club Library Endowment, Carpool, Student Counseling Services, The Big Event, 12th Can Food Pantry, T-Camp, Veteran Resource and Support Center, Galveston Yell Leaders Travel Fund and the Corp of Cadets George Jouine Award.





Benjamin Knox has graciously gifted numbered and signed special edition prints of his “Aggie Mom Quilt” to the Federation of Texas A&M University Mothers’ Clubs and has allocated those prints to the 109 clubs based on size. Houston Aggie Moms’ received 11 of those prints (#12-#22). On February 3, the Crazy Auction will feature three of the prints (#12-#14) that have been framed by Benjamin Knox and are available for auction. Houston Aggie Moms are selling the unframed prints for \$400, fair market value is \$100. \$300 will go directly into the Houston Aggie Moms’ Scholarship Fund. This fundraising campaign will end May 31, 2017. Please consider purchasing one of these special edition prints from the Boutique. Contact Valerie Hubbard and/or Tammie Coker for more information.



## Events • • • • •

*Note: Unless otherwise indicated, all General Meetings will be held at Bering Drive Church of Christ, 1910 Bering Dr., Houston, TX 77057. A light buffet will be served at 6:30 p.m. before the meeting begins.*

**January 19 General Meeting:**  
Guest speaker, Dr. John Thornton '75,  
Director of TAMU Coaching Academy,  
Sydney and J.L. Huffines Institute for  
Sports Medicine and Human Perfor-  
mance, Dept. of Health and Kinesiology.

**March 31** Scholarship applications due

**April 7-9 Family Weekend**  
Friday/Saturday, College Station  
Get your hotel rooms now!  
TAMU Mothers' Club Federation Spring  
Meeting. Biggest Aggie Boutique Show!

**January 20-21**  
Friday/Saturday College Station  
Texas A&M University Mothers' Club  
Federation Winter Meeting. Aggie Mom  
Dinner – The dinner is a wonderful  
event open to All Aggie Moms! Winter  
Federation Meeting. More info to come.

**April 21 Muster**  
A time to honor our fallen Aggies in  
either Houston or College Station.

**May 4 Installation of  
Officers/Awards**  
Installation of the 2017-2018 Board

**February 3 CRAZY AUCTION**  
Greek Orthodox Church Martel Hall  
Our biggest fundraiser and best party  
of the year. Please bring your friends  
and family to help us raise money for  
scholarships and programs at TAMU.  
You will not want to miss this event.

**May Scholarship Awards  
Reception**  
We will recognize our scholarship  
recipients and their parents.

**March 13-17 Spring Break**

**March 23 General Meeting:**  
Guest speaker, Ryan Tranthan '15,  
Former Head of the Memorial Student  
Center, currently attending Baylor  
Medical School



The Houston Aggie Moms Club has a closed Face Book page that only members can join. It's a great opportunity to share events, pictures, prayer requests and other things between formal meetings. You are encouraged to join and invite your friends to do so as well. Oh, and don't forget to share your special moments here as well.

[facebook.com/groups/HoustonAggieMoms/](https://facebook.com/groups/HoustonAggieMoms/)

Linda A. Younger



*Left: Houston Aggie Moms Enjoyed Working on Yell Practice with the Galveston Yell Leaders*