



2006-07 Report to District

The Round Rock Area Aggie Moms' Club has 152 members this year. We meet the 3rd Monday of the month and have programs either from campus or locally.

In July we had our annual Howdy Hullabaloo to welcome incoming freshman and their parents. Again our centerpiece was our student panel on hand to answer questions, give advice and support and welcome.

Also in July we participated in the on-campus Parent Social that is part of the freshman orientation.

In the fall we endowed our first permanent scholarship through the A&M foundation of \$25,000. We look forward to awarding this scholarship sometime soon.

In November we had our "Fajitas 'n Fixins' Tailgate at Spence park and fed over 500 Aggies and their families.

This month, February, we are having our Anniversary Dinner. This is a special year for our club as it was 10 years ago that our club was chartered. We will have a guest speaker, Dr. Ben Welch, food catered by Outback Steakhouse and a silent auction to raise funds for our scholarship program.

In April we will again participate in Boutique at Parent's Weekend taking merchandise from our permanent retail booth at Cabbages and Kings in Round Rock. Our booth is open 7 days a week and is our primary fund raiser.

We have continued supporting each other with our secret sister program, sending cards and congratulations through our cares and concerns, honoring our graduates, and bringing in excellent speakers to help our parents have a better understanding of Texas A&M university.

Our Ag Bags every semester have been averaging about 120 bags each time. This activity supports our Student Recognition award program which allows us to reward two students per semester based on their mom's participation in our club.

We fund:

10 - \$500.00 scholarships for incoming freshmen, chosen from 7 area high schools

20 - \$150.00 Book Grants - 10 in Fall and 10 in Spring

Student Recognition Awards - 2 each semester - between \$250 - \$350 go directly into the student's account at A&M

Fun Bucks - \$10 cash prizes drawn at each meeting. We send the cash to the students, with the only stipulation being that they spend it on something fun and write to tell us what that was.

Perhaps our proudest achievement this year came only recently when our club was sought out by some former students. In January, a former student, class of '98 was killed in Iraq. His young wife and child are living in Pflugerville with no other family in town. As family members and former students and friends arrived in our town to mourn and celebrate this fine young man, the young family was at a loss as to how to go about getting together a reception during such a sad and hectic time. One former student said, "Find the Aggie Moms, they'll know what to do." In less than 24 hours, food and fixings were put together for 75 people by members of our club. Aside from being an honor to participate, it was gratifying and eye-opening to know

that the Aggie Mom legacy and reputation is one that lets all students and former students know that we are here for them. It was, perhaps, our highest purpose put to good use.

To date this year we've donated to: CHANGE, The Corps of Cadets, Texas A&M Former Student Association.

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