



HOWDY AGGIE Mom NEWSLETTER

SEPT 2026



News, Events & Aggie Mom Happenings from the Laredo Texas A&M Mothers' Club



HOWDY PARTY 2026

Welcome to Our Newsletter! We're excited to share a

recap of last month's activities and look ahead to

another great year of fellowship, service, and supporting our local Aggies!

Our Laredo Texas A&M Mothers' Club **Howdy Party & Membership Drive** was a wonderful evening of celebration and Aggie spirit! Hosted by IBC Commerce Bank, the event allowed us to welcome new Aggie students and families, recognize our scholarship recipients, celebrate our accomplishments, and share the mission of our organization. We are extremely grateful to Commerce Bank and especially Mr. Ignacio Urrabazo, Jr. for his continued generosity and support. What a year! Thanks to our hardworking Aggie Moms, successful fundraisers, and community partners, we exceeded our \$40,000 fundraising goal! We also recognized our major sponsors, L&F Distributors and Roderick C. Lopez, whose generosity helped make our success possible.

A highlight of the evening was celebrating scholarships awarded to our incoming freshmen, Aggie Ring and Aggie Crest recipients, and current Aggie students. Special congratulations to Hilda Quintana of Nixon High School, recipient of the J.J. Sanchez Memorial Scholarship, honoring a special legacy within our Aggie Mom family. We were also delighted to welcome guest speaker Kayla Alvarado and recognize our wonderful Ring of Honor Moms, whose continued involvement is invaluable to our organization.

Most importantly, thank you to our amazing Aggie Moms! Your time, talents, and dedication are the heart of everything we accomplish. Keep reading for important information, upcoming dates, goals, recognitions, and more. Gig 'em!



A special thank you Mr. Ignacio Urrabazo Jr. President & CEO Commerce Bank Laredo, TX and to our **Howdy Party** Host Sponsor:



Welcome Aggie Moms!

In this newsletter
you can expect:



Here's what happened
last month

Our First
Meeting of
the year
Wednesday,
September 9th
at St. Augustine School
Cafeteria 6 -8:00 PM



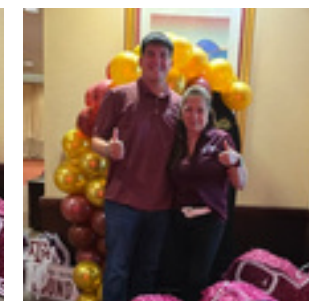
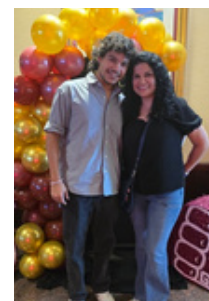
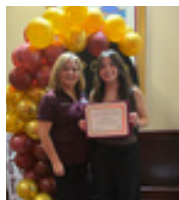
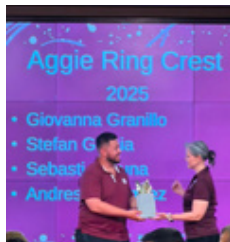
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From the President

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Special Thank You to our Howdy Party Raffle Donors

5 TV's from Cynthia Mares

MARKET & ASSOCIATES, INC. PROFESSIONAL TAX SERVICES

Laredo Student Perspective Center SWAG TOTE

BENJAMIN KNOX THE ARTIST OF SPIRIT

STANLEY CUP FROM SPECIAL GUEST: KAYLA ALVARADO

ARENA

Gig'em Gift Card Boards Donated by our Current Aggie Moms

ASM WELCOME WREATH DONATED BY

PINATAS DONATED BY LAREDO MOTHERS CLUB CRAFTY COMMITTEE

ROY OF HONOR MOMS

ASM TOTES AND COOLER BAG

BACKPACK, CAPS, TOWELS, AND THROW BLANKET DONATED BY AGGIE MOMS

Gig'em!
Because of YOU it was a Success!

SPECIAL SHOUT OUT! **bluetopcompanies**
DIGITAL REPROGRAPHICS

THANK YOU! 07.23.26

Howdy PARTY

VOLUNTEERS

Dear Aggie Moms,
Thank you so much for your time and experience. Because of YOU our Howdy Party was a success!

Volunteers:
Alex Alfaro
Blanca Koo
Bris Hinojosa
Carmen Granillo
Cynthia Sandoval
Juanita Lozano
Juanita Sanchez
Judith Canche
Laura Ramirez
Margarita Martinez Cantu
Margot Farias
Mary Gallegos
Patty Salinas Saldaña
Patty Silva
Sheri Porras
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If you volunteered and do not see your name, please let us know so we can correct the mistake.

AGGIE MOM SHOUT OUT!
BLANCA KOO & ALEX ALFARO
For all the awesome pictures!

THANK YOU! 07.23.26

Howdy PARTY

DONATIONS

Dear Aggie Moms,
Thank you so much from the bottom of our hearts for all your generous donations. Because of your support, our Howdy Party was made possible. We truly appreciate your kindness and generosity!

Donations:
Myriam Cardenas
Blanca Aleman Koo
Adriana/Jaime Vela
Maricela Castillo
Gabriela Chapa
Marisa A. Rangel
Claudia Zurita
Michelle Gonzalez
Isai Myriam
Aida Nila
Rosalia Leyendecker
Vero Cantu
Estella Ivette Martinez
Maria Pineda
Adriana Vela
Malex Kirkpatrick
Sandy Rubio
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Judith Canche
Janet Vela
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Diana Vazquez
Blanca Lopez
Angie Chavez
Adriana Barajas
Alex Alfaro
Mileisy Rodriguez
Ana Osuna
Claudia Chavez
Leslie Dixon
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Karla Garcia

Donations:
Mirella Sanchez
Virginia Cardenas
Laura Zarate
Silvia Gonzalez
Briselda Hinojosa
Larissa Batres-Rangel
Roxana Luna
Diana Soto
Lily Molano
Sonia Sosa
Mirtha Pina
Teresa Ramos
Gabriela Beckelthymmer
Gloria Rodriguez
Lilia Sanchez

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From our President

Howdy. Welcome to all Aggie Moms as we start another year of fun and fundraising. We have set another ambitious goal of \$40,000.00 for scholarships.

The Board of Directors is excited to "kickoff" our year of **"Aggie Momrarderie".**

We offer our congratulations to all of our Laredo Aggie students embarking on a new year and grant them many blessings for the upcoming year. I am humbled to be your President for this upcoming year and look forward to working with all of our Aggie Moms and Dads to make this year a great success.

Thanks and Gig 'em.

Sheri Porras, Class '93.



Past President Rocio Mares Rubio Representing Laredo Aggie Moms at this year's Fall Federation Weekend August 28-30, 2026. Gig'em!



Fundraising Update

Picture Perfect for a Great Cause! Campaign KICK-OFF SEPTEMBER 12th, 2026. We will share link in our chat once we begin! We're excited to partner with Vacanva! For a \$99 donation, you'll receive a professional portrait session while helping us raise funds for scholarships benefiting local Aggie students. And remember, you don't have to be an Aggie to participate! Share this opportunity with your friends and family and let Vacanva's talented photographers work their magic! Smile and support Aggie education!



Aggie Moms, we need YOU! We have a great year planned, and we need everyone to jump in with both feet to help make our GOOD BOWL Tournament a huge success! Bring a sponsor, put together a team, donate a raffle prize, volunteer, or help us spread the word. Every little bit of support makes a difference! They say it takes a village and we're so grateful that we have the BEST Aggie Moms around! [Click here to download Good Bowl forms.](#) Let's come together, have some fun, and make GOOD BOWL a success!



Membership Update

Welcome & Welcome Back, Aggie Moms! We are so fortunate to have an amazing group of Aggie Moms! To our returning members, thank you for your continued support, dedication, and friendship. You truly are the heart of our organization. **We encourage you to renew your membership as soon as possible, as early renewals help us plan our year, organize our events and committees, and continue supporting our local Aggies.**

To our new Aggie Moms, welcome! We are so happy to have you join our Aggie Mom family. We hope you'll get involved, make new friendships, and enjoy being part of a wonderful group of moms who share a special bond and a common purpose: supporting and celebrating our Aggies! Together, we make a difference. Once an Aggie Mom, always an Aggie Mom!



Scan for Application

Please make sure to attend our first meeting! We will be handing out to our new moms their Freshman care package boxes. Also, you will have the opportunity to sign up for different committees.

You can also find our Club bylaws and more information on our website: [Click here! Laredo Aggie Moms](#)



A BIG Shout-out to McDonald's for hosting our officers meetings



Laredo
Mothers'
Club



LAREDO AGGIE MOMS

Calendar 2026-2027

Once an Aggie Mom, always an Aggie Mom!

Whoop!



LAREDO AGGIE MOMS CLUB MEETINGS



SEP 9, 2026

Monthly Meeting 6PM
at St. Augustine Cafeteria



OCT 14, 2026

Monthly Meeting 6PM
at St. Augustine Cafeteria



NOV 11, 2026

Monthly Meeting 6PM
at St. Augustine Cafeteria



DEC 9, 2026

Monthly Meeting TBA



JAN 13, 2027

Monthly Meeting 6PM
at St. Augustine Cafeteria



FEB 17, 2027

Monthly Meeting 6PM
at St. Augustine Cafeteria



MAR 10, 2027

Monthly Meeting TBA



APR 14, 2027

Monthly Meeting 6PM
at St. Augustine Cafeteria
Officer Voting

MAY 12, 2027

Monthly Meeting TBA



TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY IMPORTANT DATES



- ★ **Aug 17-25** Howdy Week
- ★ **Aug 24** First Day of Fall Semester
- ★ **Sep 7** Labor Day Holiday
- ★ **Oct 3** TAMU's 150th Year Celebration
- ★ **Nov 18** Bonfire Remembrance
- ★ **Nov 25** Reading Day No Classes
- ★ **Nov 26-27** Thanksgiving Holiday
- ★ **Dec 3** Last Day of Classes
- ★ **Dec 4** Reading Day No Classes
- ★ **Dec 7-10** Finals Week
- ★ **Dec 11** Graduations Begin

- ★ **Jan 18** Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
- ★ **Jan 19** First Day of Spring Semester
- ★ **Mar 15-19** Spring Break
- ★ **Mar 26** Reading Day No Classes
- ★ **Apr 9-11** Family Weekend
- ★ **Apr 21** Aggie Muster
- ★ **May 4** Last Day of Classes
- ★ **May 5** Reading Day No Classes
- ★ **May 6-11** Finals Week

All dates are subject to change. Last updated 09/12/2026

LAREDO AGGIE MOMS IMPORTANT DATES



SEP-OCT

VACANVA
Online Fundraiser



OCT 20

District 11 Meeting
All welcome! St Augustine
School Cafeteria Time: 6:30pm



OCT 27

Chipotle
Fundraiser



NOV 5

Teriyaki Madness
All-day Fundraiser



NOV 7

Laredo Texas A&M Mothers'
Club Good Bowl Scholarship
Bowling Tournament



DEC 9

Laredo Mothers' Club
Christmas Party & Raffle
St. Augustin Cafeteria



DEC TBA

TBA Kendra Scott
Fundraiser



DEC 19

Serving with a purpose:
Wreaths Across America



JAN 9

J.J. Sanchez Memorial
Mass Christ The King



JAN 11

Tremendo Taco
All-day Fundraiser



FEB 9

Taqueria Tacolare Fat Taco
Tuesday Fundraiser



MAR 6

Laredo Texas A&M Mothers'
Club 10th Annual Scholarship
Golf Tournament



APR 8-10

Aggie Moms Boutique
During Family Weekend
College Station

FEDERATION OF TEXAS A&M MOTHERS' CLUB EVENTS

AUG 28

Fall Federation Weekend

AUG 29

Fall Federation Meeting and Gala

AUG 30

Fall Federation Weekend

JAN 22

Winter Federation Weekend

JAN 23

Winter Federation Meeting

JAN 24

Winter Federation Weekend

FEB 19

Aggie Mom Camp College Station

FEB 20

Aggie Mom Camp College Station

FEB 21

Aggie Mom Camp College Station

APR 9

Aggie Mom Boutique

APR 10

Spring Federation Meeting
and Aggie Mom Boutique



FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	LOCATION
09/05/26	MISSOURI STATE	6 PM	HOME
09/12/26	ARIZONA STATE	11 AM	HOME
09/19/26	KENTUCKY	2:30 PM	HOME
09/26/26	LSU	FLEX	BATON ROUGE, LA
10/03/26	ARKANSAS	FLEX	HOME
10/10/26	MISSOURI	EARLY	COLUMBIA, MO
10/17/26	THE CITADEL	12 PM	HOME
10/24/26	ALABAMA	FLEX	TUSCALOOSA, AL
11/07/26	SOUTH CAROLINA	AFTERNOON	COLUMBIA, SC
11/14/26	TENNESSEE	FLEX	HOME
11/21/26	OKLAHOMA	EARLY	NORMAN, OK
11/27/26	TEXAS	6:30 PM	HOME



CONTACT US

Sheri Porras '93

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FAQ

HOW OFTEN AND WHERE ARE MEETINGS HELD?

Starting in September through May, our meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month at 6 pm at the St. Augustine School Cafeteria, unless otherwise scheduled by our President.

ANYTHING I CAN HELP WITH OR VOLUNTEER?

Yes! We love this question. There are so many different ways to help our organization, from staying informed and promoting Aggie life and traditions to helping at our fundraisers with your time, donating items for our raffles/events, finding donations, helping us promote, and so much more. We will keep you posted on all our events!

AS A MEMBER WHAT IS REQUIRED OF ME?

Like all organizations, we ask you to stay informed by attending our monthly meetings and checking our chat, volunteering at our events, and helping us achieve our goals while maintaining the traditions of this beautiful organization. You will come to learn that once an Aggie mom, always an Aggie mom!

HOWDY! IS THERE A WHATSAPP GROUP CHAT?

Yes. In fact, that is the quickest way to get information to you. We ask that you kindly follow our chat rules. We love to share information about our Aggies and answer questions that help our members. Please refrain from advertising services, negative comments, and birthday wishes. We love this last one, but we will have time to congratulate our Aggie moms at our monthly meetings.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS ASSOCIATION?

As per our bylaws our purpose:

- To raise funds for scholarships to be awarded to local high school students who will attend Texas A&M College Station, McAllen, and Galveston

- To make donations to organizations at Texas A&M University at College Station
- To stimulate interest and promote Texas A&M University
- To cooperate with the Federation of A&M Mothers' Clubs
- By individual and united effort to contribute in every way to the comfort and welfare of the students at Texas A&M University, and to cooperate with the University in maintaining a high standard of moral conduct and intellectual attainment

WHAT DOES MY \$20 DLS FEES COVER?

Great question! A portion of your dues is sent to the Federation, making you a proud member of the Texas A&M University Mothers' Club as well. The remaining funds help cover our club's administrative expenses and incidental costs associated with the events we host or sponsor.

HOW MANY NEW MOMS ARE WE?

We're excited to keep growing! Last year, we reached 139 members, and we've already welcomed 14 new Aggie Moms this year. Membership renewals are now underway, so we encourage everyone to renew as soon as possible. Applications are available in the chat or on our website.

ARE THERE ANY MORE CLUBS I CAN JOIN?

Our organization has several committees you can join. Hospitality/Membership, Fundraising/Sponsorship & Crafty Committees. Sign-up sheets will be available at our first meeting. Also, the Federation offers opportunities to serve at its level. You can find more info on: <https://aggie moms.org>

I KNOW THIS WILL BE DISCUSSED AT 1ST MEETING, BUT IS THERE ANYTHING I CAN DO IN ADVANCE OR TAKE TO THE MEETING?

We would love to see you at our first meeting! New Aggie Moms can pick up their postal boxes for our annual Freshman Care Package Delivery. You'll also learn more about our club and committees and have the opportunity to sign up and get involved.

Gig'em Laredo Aggies





Community News Helpful links



Parent & Family Resource <https://tx.ag/familyportal>

Upcoming Events at A&M College Station!
<https://calendar.tamu.edu/>

Texas A&M Athletics <https://12thman.com>

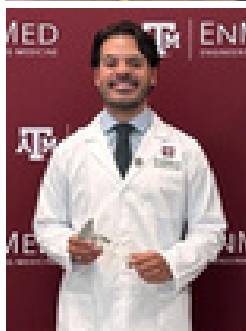


Don't want to walk around campus alone at night?

The Corps of Cadets offers an escort service on campus for safety & security call (979) 845-6789
<https://www.tamu.edu/emergency/procedures/safetySupport.html>

Learn about Code Maroon Mobile app <https://youtu.be/Klsx-sgo3L0>

How Aggies get involved outside the classroom and make new friends: find a club or organization
<https://studentactivities.tamu.edu/>



When Aggies need non-emergency medical help, there are options on campus. Visit <https://uhs.tamu.edu/index.html>

Utilize Student Services!

From help in classes, writing papers, or just needing someone to talk to.
<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/services/>

Are you looking for academic tutoring for your Aggie?
Academic Success Center offers different kinds of tutoring support!
<https://asc.tamu.edu/tutoring/index.html>



Not just any Library!

From individual study spaces to THE STUDIO and THE MARKER ZONE! Tell your Aggie to check out what TAMU Libraries have to offer!

Let your Aggie know there's a lot happening at Rudder Theatre! <https://boxoffice.tamu.edu/Online/default.asp>

Community Healthcare Resource Listings



Texas A&M
University Health Services



Thank you for choosing to be a member!



Back Row: (L-R) Paula Letty Geronimo-Historian, Celeste Ordoñez-Secretary, Silvia Gonzalez-Treasurer, Lupita Cisneros-1st VP, Brisa Perez-Alvarado-2nd VP, Maria A. Kirkpatrick-Reporter, and Laura Zarate-Parliamentarian.
Front Row: (L-R) Sheri Porras'93-President and Rocio Mares-Rubio'98-Vice President at Large

It's an honor and a privilege to serve as your 2026-2027 Board of Officers. Thank you for your trust!

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We want to hear from you

For any questions and/or concerns
please email
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or laredoreporter@aggiemoms.org
Feel free to share with us information
that you think might help our Aggie
moms and their families.
Thanks and Gig'em!

Need a copy of our Bylaws?

Contact Sheri Porras '93, President 956-763-3437

Have a question about this Newsletter Email: laredoreporter@aggiemoms.org

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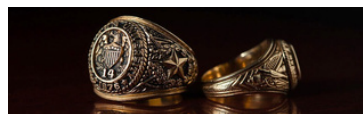
Whoop!

Our current facebook
Laredo-Texas A&M Mothers' Club
Private Facebook Group



Howdy! Our WhatsApp group is for
members only. If you are not
included please text:
Brisa (956) 693-1814

Website:
<https://laredo.aggiemoms.org/>



Ring Assistance is awarded to the son or daughter
of a Laredo A&M Mothers' Club member who is in
good standing with membership dues, active
participation in meetings and events.

Ring Crest is awarded to the Aggie graduate, son
or daughter, of a Laredo A&M Mothers' Club
member who is in good standing with
membership dues, active participation in meetings
and events.

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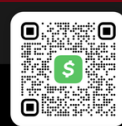
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