### Denver A&M Club

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The Denver A&M Club cordially invites you to

## Aggie Muster 2025

featuring

### David Dunlap '83

Monday, April 21, 2024 5:30pm

Baldoria on the Water 146 Van Gordon Street Lakewood, Colorado 80228

Each year in April, Aggies around the world gather to honor fellow Aggies who have passed on during the year. Muster is one of Texas A&M University's greatest traditions and serves to bring Aggies together to remember and celebrate their time in Aggieland. Each celebration is unique, reflecting the preferences and personalities of the communities and volunteers who step forward to host them. Attendees with answer "Here." As the names are read from the Roll Call for the Absent to symbolize their presence in our hearts and the Aggie Spirit, forever.

#### Muster Registration: Advance payment is recommended.

Registration for Muster 2025 may be completed online through the DAMC website at https://denveramc.aggienetwork.com/events/annualmuster/ But tickets may also be purchased at the door.

If you have questions about Muster 2025, please contact us at denver.aggie.events@gmail.com.



### Aggie Muster 2025

Date:	Monday, April 21, 2025	
Location:	Baldoria on the Water	
	146 Van Gordon St	
	Lakewood, Colorado 80028	
Time:	Doors Open	5:30pm
	Dinner	6:00pm
	Ceremony	7:00pm
Cost:	Buffet & Ceremony	\$55
	Ceremony Only	\$20
	Kids Brunch & Ceremony	\$25

We will have a catered dinner and refreshments as well as a silent auction to raise funds for our club to give a scholarship. If you choose to not eat, please join us for the ceremony only. Prices are set to cover the cost of the event. All proceeds afterward go toward our endowment scholarship fund and supporting future events for Denver Aggies.

#### **Call for Muster Silent Auction Items**

In preparation for Muster 2025 the Denver A&M Club is asking for your involvement in enhancing our philanthropic efforts by contributing to the Silent Auction. Funds are raised to benefit our scholarship fund, which enables us to continue to send deserving Colorado students to Texas A&M University with academic scholarships.

We welcome items such as gift cards to storages and restaurants, accessories like purses, scarves, and jewelry, electronics, event tickets, a weekend getaway, and Texas A&M paraphernalia – anything of value that your fellow Aggies would love to bid on! As an approved 501(c)(3) organization, your donation is tax deductible.

Please contact us at denver.aggie.events@gmail.com for more information about donating to the silent auction.



We are pleased to welcome

### David Dunlap '83

as our speaker at

## Aggie Muster 2025

David D. Dunlap is career oil and gas services industry executive and investor. He spent the first 25 years of his career at BJ Services Company followed by 11 years as President and CEO of Superior Energy Services. He is currently an investor, advisor and director for four privately owned oilfield services companies.

Mr. Dunlap is very active at Texas A&M where he currently serves as a trustee and Investment Committee Chair for the Texas A&M Foundation. He is a member of the Texas A&M College of Engineering Advisory Council and Chairman of the President's Board of Visitors for the Corps of Cadets.

The Dunlap's have been active with the 12th Man Foundation since buying football season tickets in 1990. David served for seven years on the 12th Man Foundation Board of Trustees and was Chairman of the 12th Man Foundation in 2020. David and his wife Anne were recognized in 2023 as recipients of the E. King Gill award.

Mr. Dunlap was named a Distinguished Alumni of Texas A&M in 2024. In 2017, he was named to the Texas A&M Petroleum Engineering Academy of Distinguished Graduates. He is inducted in the Texas A&M Corps of Cadets Hall of Honor and is a recipient of the Texas A&M College of Engineering Outstanding Alumni Honor Award.

Mr. Dunlap graduated from Texas A & M University with a BS in Petroleum Engineering. As a student, he was a member of the Fightin Texas Aggie Band and The Ross Volunteers. He and his wife Anne are the parents of six children and reside in The Woodlands, Texas.

### State of the Club 2025

#### Howdy Denver Ags!

Happy New Year! I hope each and every one of you had a happy and prosperous 2024 and are ready to face whatever new challenges and opportunities 2025 brings us. As always first and foremost, I must thank the amazing team of officers and volunteers that support this club. They continue to work diligently to make this club and its mission possible and find new ways to make it happen. Last year with their help we had a great Muster, provided plenty of fun opportunities for Aggies in Denver to connect, successfully and gracefully pivoted from the closed Stoney's Cantina to Stoney's Bar and Grill, and raised more money for scholarships. I think my favorite memory was having one of the largest watch party attendances that I can recall since being in this club for the t.u. game (we'll get them next season).

This is the start of crunch time to getting ready for Muster in three months as well as other events we're planning till then. Our goal this year is the same as last year, to collect donations to go toward our Endowment Scholarship to provide Colorado students with in-state tuition at Texas A&M. We're not there yet though and we're always open to suggestions or help in fundraising events. If you have one, please do not hesitate to contact me or the club! Or if you are also interested in becoming an Officer or Chair, reach out with any questions you may have, and we'll get you involved if it sounds like a good fit. We are in need of a new Muster Chair, so if that interests you and you have the time and experience, we'd love to have you be a part of this year's Muster to shadow and learn what the role entails. Just reply and let us know!

One way you can passively help us financially without donating anything from your pocket, if you haven't already, is setting up your King Soopers account for donations to our club. It cost you nothing, it doesn't add anything to your bill. If you're signed up for a Soopers Reward account online you can link your account to our nonprofit organization and King Soopers will donate a percentage of your spending to us each month. Go to this <u>link</u> and follow the instructions.

This year be on the lookout for events like happy hours around the Denver area, Texas A&M Basketball March Madness watch parties, Texas A&M Baseball College World Series watch parties, the second annual Denver A&M Club Golf Tournament in August, Texas A&M Football watch parties, and more. We hope to see you there!

To the new Aggies in the Denver area, I wish you a warm welcome! Please don't be afraid to join us at our events and meet some new friends and get to know the city. You'll find that the Aggies that have been here for a while are more than happy to help you navigate the area and answer any questions you may have and provide recommendations based on their experiences here.

To the current Aggies still in the area that support the club, thank you for your continued support! I hope to see you around again this year. We can't do this without you! We do this for you and for the future Aggies continuing the traditions we hold so dear.

Here's to another great year, I look forward to continuing to serve as your club president in 2025.

Thanks, and gig 'em,

Travis Pollok '12

President Denver A&M Club



# 2025 Club Officers

#### Travis Pollok '12, President

Originally from San Antonio, Travis moved to Brighton, CO when he was 9 years old. He spent a year at CU Boulder before moving back to Texas and finishing his B.S. in Aerospace Engineering in 2013. While at A&M, Travis was a T-Camp counselor and a Student Engineer at the AggieSat Lab.

After graduating, he began his career in Sunnyvale, CA with Lockheed Martin Space as a Systems Integration and Test Engineer. He transferred within the company to finally return to his second home of Colorado in 2015 and has been here ever since. He received his M.S. in Mechatronics Systems Engineering from the University of Denver in 2020. He currently lives in Littleton and enjoys spending time with friends and family, barbecuing, fishing, watching sports, and is currently getting into golfing.

Rebecca Evrard Martinez '16, VP of Activities-Programs, Muster Chair Rebecca originally came from New Jersey where she completed her B.S. in 2014 in Meteorology from Rutgers University. She then saw the light and received her M.S. in Atmospheric Sciences from Texas A&M in 2016. She has worked in the public and private sectors through multiple internships and jobs including NOAA. She currently works as an air quality professional at Kleinfelder. She happily lives in Aurora with her husband Chris.

#### Celine Kirk '17, VP of Membership

Celine graduated in May 2018 with her Bachelor's in International Studies with a double minor in Mandarin Chinese and Business Administration. She also received the Hollingsworth Leadership Excellence Program Certificate in Leadership Study and Development which she earned during her time in the Corps of Cadets (Corps Staff/Squadron 18). In 2022 she received her Master's in Organizational Leadership from CU Boulder. She's currently a Campus Recruiting Consultant for Plante Moran and owns and operates her own travel agency part time. She currently resides in Arvada with her husband.

#### Kelsey Walla '22, VP of Social Media

Kelsey grew up in San Antonio, TX and graduated with a Master's of Science in Accounting and Bachelors in Business Administration in 2022. While at A&M, she also received certificates in International Business and Internal Audit. While living in Colorado, she has obtained her CPA license for both Texas and Colorado. She currently works in external audit at PwC and resides in Longmont, CO.

#### Colin Deal '20, VP of Finance

Collin is originally from Austin, TX but has always been an Aggie despite growing up in enemy territory. He graduated from Texas A&M in 2020 with a finance degree. While at A&M, Collin was heavily involved in extracurriculars, including President of his fraternity (Phi Delta Theta), Vice President of IFC, Fish Camp Counselor, Startup Aggieland Entrepreneur, Texas A&M Rowing Team, etc. After completing a 500+ mile hike across Spain, Collin decided that he wanted to move to Colorado. In 2024, he left Texas behind and began working at an AI tech startup called Auditoria. He currently lives in Denver and enjoys hiking, skiing/snowboarding, reading books, stand-up comedy, and watching A&M sports.











### 2024 Year in Review



**Muster**: On April 21, 2024, Denver Aggies gathered to Muster. Our featured speaker was Sue Owen '94. The Silent Auction raised approximately \$2,200 for the Denver A&M Club Endowment Fund, benefitting future Aggies from the Denver area.

**SEC Events**: Denver Aggies celebrated the end of summer at the 2024 SEC Picnic. They also joined together for NBA, NHL, MLB, and MLS games throughout the metro area.



**Watch Parties**: In 2024 the Denver Aggies met up for multiple watch parties for basketball, baseball, and of course football for our first year at Stoney's Bar & Grill.

**Golf**: We re-started the annual golf tournament in 2024! It was small but mighty, with 32 Aggies & friends attending for a fun day. We are looking to double our numbers this year, so we hope you can join us!

### 2025 Save the Date

#### **Happy Hours**

The club will be organizing happy hours for months where no other events are going on. Save the Date for the following scheduled Happy Hours!

- February 27<sup>th</sup>, 4-7pm, BurnDown Denver (476 S Broadway, Denver, CO 80209)
- July 17th, 4-7pm, Lustre Pearl (1315 26th St, Denver, CO 80205)

#### **Annual Golf Tournament**

The annual golf tournament will take place on **August 2<sup>nd</sup>** at Racoon Creek Golf Course in Littleton, CO. Spots will be limited to 120 participants (30 foursomes) so start thinking about who you would like to join you! We will be looking for sponsors for various aspects such as food, beverage, hole sponsors, overall donations, etc. If you would like to advertise your company or business this would be a great opportunity to do so! More information such as registration, fees, meals, etc. will be available on the club website.

#### **Watch Parties**

Join us for food, drinks, and fun as we cheer on the Aggies and BTHO our opponents in any and all sports! We will continue to gather at Stoney's Bar & Grill (1111 Lincoln St Denver, CO 80203) in 2025 for our watch parties. More information will be sent out prior to each game but check out the schedule below.

- Basketball March 2025: March Madness Tournament
- Baseball June 2025: Baseball College World Series
- Football August 2025 November 2025
  - August 30: Texas A&M vs. UTSA (College Station, TX)
  - Sept. 6: Texas A&M vs. Utah State (College Station, TX)
  - o Sept. 13: Texas A&M at Notre Dame (South Bend, IN)
  - Sept. 20: (Bye Week)
  - o Sept. 27: Texas A&M vs. Auburn (College Station, TX)
  - o Oct. 4: Texas A&M vs. Mississippi State (College Station, TX)
  - o Oct. 11: Texas A&M vs. Florida (College Station, TX)
  - Oct. 18: Texas A&M at Arkansas (Fayetteville, AR)
  - Oct. 25: Texas A&M at LSU (Baton Rouge, LA)
  - Nov. 1: (Bye Week)
  - Nov. 8: Texas A&M at Missouri (Columbia, MO)
  - Nov. 15: Texas A&M vs. South Carolina (College Station, TX)
  - Nov. 22: Texas A&M vs. Samford (College Station, TX)
  - Nov. 29: Texas A&M at Texas (Austin, TX)

For the latest news on the club, follow us on Facebook and Instagram! Or check out our club website where you can also find out more about your club officers and donate any time to the club.