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# **2008-2009 RHAA Officers**

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# A Moment with MaryAnn

Dear Hussar Sisters,

Well the time is fast approaching! We have 2 more practices before Mardi Gras. I hope that everyone is ready to let the "Good Times Roll"! If you have any questions about Mardi Gras or other items, read on. All important information is in this newsletter.

I would like to take a moment to say thank you to the ladies that are on the board. Many hours have been spent insuring that everything goes as planned for the year. I would not be successful if it weren't for the following ladies: Cammie, Christel, Pam, Christine, Dianne, Paula, and Helen. I'm not forgetting Debbie; she has graciously taken over being our secretary. It was suppose to be her year to just sit back and RELAX! This reminds me to ask if anyone would like to participate in the planning for the upcoming year. If so, just throw your name in for nomination. The window for nominations for officers will open beginning at Mardi Gras and close with the March general meeting. I'm asking that each and everyone think about becoming an officer. Really it isn't that hard, you can do it!

Hussar Luv, Mary Ann

### Get ready Mardi Gras...... Here we come.

Remember ladies that we are practicing for the parade every Saturday till the parade. You can join us at the TJ Parking Lot from 9am till 11am. If you are in need of an instrument, please contact Christine Collazo. We will be wearing our RHAA sweats or long sleeve RHAA T-shirt with white pants and white tennis shoes or boots. All of the officer's numbers are in the front of the newsletter. If you plan on marching and cannot come to the practices, please let one of the officers know, so we can get a count on how many will be participating. If you plan on riding the float, you must give your name early before the float fills up. Hernandez Photography will be at Rose Hill to take our picture. So please try to be there about 4pm if you would like to be in the group picture. Rose Hill has agreed to open the restrooms up for us again this year. YEAH! We will be decorating the RHAA float on Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at Cammie's house. We will meet at 1:00pm. Please bring you favorite snack to share. If you have beads to donate, please bring them to the practices or to Cammie's house.

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# **General Meeting**

We will not be having a General Meeting in February. We will conduct all necessary business during our practices and any announcements will be done there also. So please let us know if you have something important to contribute. The next General meeting will be March 19<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm at the Library.

#### The RHAA Needs YOU!

Anyone interested in becoming an Officer for the upcoming year, please let us know. We will begin accepting nominations at Mardi Gras and close the nominations at the March General Meeting. It is a fun and rewarding experience to work with such a wonderful group of ladies.

#### **Quilt Sale**

Don't forget Sally White Graham has made us a beautiful red, white and blue quilt that we will be raffling off on May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009 at our Officer Installation. We will be using the money raised to go toward our Community Service projects. The raffle tickets are now available. The ticket bundles will come in groups of 20, so you will owe \$20 for each bundle you are taking with you.

#### **Scratch Off Raffle Tickets**

Remember we are selling our Scratch-Off Raffle Tickets to help raise money for our Scholarship fund. The tickets are available now. They are distributed in bundles of \$20.00. If you are interested in helping sell tickets, we will have them handy at the practices. If you are not able to attend the practices, you may call any officer and they will help you get some to sell. The winner will be drawn February 21<sup>st</sup>, the day of the Mardi Gras Parade while we are lined up and ready to go, so please be sure to have all tickets turned in by that time.

# **Scholarship Applications**

We are accepting scholarship applications & the deadline will be March 31, 2009. If you have a family member who is a High School Senior and you are a 2008-2009 member of the RHAA, you can have them fill out an application and turn it in for review. Helen Wyble is in charge of applications and will be glad to assist you with the forms. Please give her a call if you are interested.

#### **Commemorative Buttons**

We will be selling photo buttons as a fundraiser for Relay for Life. We will be honoring our beloved Cathy Scott Lopez with the photo buttons this year. We will be wearing them for Mardi Gras and for Relay for Life. We will have them available for purchase at practice and at Mardi Gras. They are \$4.00 per button. Also, remember to wear your Margie Broussard button if you have one.

# **Relay for Life**

Mark your calendars for April 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. This will be the dates for the Annual Relay for Life. Please let Christine Collazo know if you are interested. She will be heading the event up for us again. Remember, if you are on the team, we ask that you raise \$100 per member. The theme this year is "Rockin Relay" so we will be dressing in a Rock and Roll theme. We will have pictures with Elvis as one of our ways to raise money. The Luminary Decorating Party will be at Christine's house on April 19<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. So if you have any to decorate, please be there to help. All the money collected needs to be turned in by April 19<sup>th</sup>. Last year we were in the Bronze fundraising club for 2008. Let's see if we can top that this year.

You can register online to join the team. Go to; sjeffrelay.org – then; Sign up – then; Join an Existing Team – Search; Red Hussar Alumni Association.

Also, instead of raffling off a door prize to help raise money at the Relay, they are holding a Silent Auction. We will be providing a Cooler filled with goodies. We are asking for your help in filling the cooler with items like, sodas, candy bars, popcorn packs, Blockbuster movie cards, or fast food gift cards (like Sonic or McDonalds, etc...). Please bring your contributions to practice and help us fill the cooler.

Don't forget to bring any change you can spare to all of our events (practices, general meetings, float party, etc...). We are collecting all spare change in our "Coins for a Cure" Can & will add this to our money raised for Relay for Life.

# **Luminary Update**

For all those who participate in the Luminaries, they are doing things a little different this year. Instead of filling them with sand, they are asking that you provide one canned good per luminary bag. We will use these to weigh them down instead of the sand and after the activities are over, they will donate all canned goods to the Food Bank. Please bring your canned goods to the field the night of the Relay.

# **Tie-Dye Shirt Orders**

Dianne Krautz is getting an order together for our Tie-Dye shirts. We will wear these for Relay for Life and we also wear these at other events as well. She needs to get a total of 12 shirts to make and order, so please let her know if you are in need of one.

# **Important RHAA Dates**

February 14<sup>th</sup> - Saturday, Practice 9-11am at the TJ Parking Lot (scratch off money is due)

February 15<sup>th</sup> – Float Party 1pm at Cammie's house

February 21<sup>st</sup> – Mardi Gras Parade (meet at Rose Hill at 4:00pm, if you wish to be in the photo)

March 19<sup>th</sup> – General Meeting 7pm at the Library

April 16<sup>th</sup> - General Meeting 7pm at the Library (Quilt money due)

April 19<sup>th</sup> – Luminary Party 2pm at Christine's house

April 24<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> - Relay for Life at the Bulldog Stadium

May 21<sup>st</sup> – RHAA installation of New Officers at Schooner's (drawing for Quilt Raffle)

# **Prayer Request**

We want to send get well wishes to Brenda Schnell and Debi Tamez. Hope you are both doing well.

Please let me know if you have heard of someone that needs to be added to our prayer list. Remember, Prayer is a powerful thing!

Let us continue to remember our troops that are over seas and let us not forget to pray for our president & the decisions that he will be making that will affect our country.

Our hearts and prayers go out to all of those who were affected by Hurricane Ike. If any one knows of anyone whose home was damaged by the storm, please let us know so that we can put them on our list. Also, if anyone knows of anyone who is in need of clothes, food or furniture, we can get the word out on that also. We want to help out any way that we are able, so please keep us posted.

#### **Proud Announcements**

Congratulations to Julie Joffrion! Port Arthur Memorial placed first in team standings at the Anahuac power lifting meet on Jan. 20 and second in the West Brook Invitational. All 14 of coach Julie Joffrion entrants secured a medal in Anahuac as the Lady Titans collected 80 points to easily outdistance runner-up Anahuac at 26. Seven Lady Titans placed first in their respective weight categories. WOW Julie, GOOD JOB!

Congratulations also to Sara Dominguez Hernandez (58) granddaughter, Nikki Hernandez on her West Point Appointment. She is the daughter of Major Andrew Hernandez (80), US Army, he just returned from a Tour of Duty in Afghanistan. She is a senior at Stoneypoint High School in Round Rock, Texas.

Keely Theriot, daughter of Debbie and Keith Theriot, has made the Dean's List at Lamar State College. We are very proud of you!!!

Red Hussars Alumni	Association		Feb	2009 (Central Time)		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Accepting	2	3	4	5	6	9am - Mardi Gras
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29	30	Deadline Scholarships	1	2	3	4

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Form of Payment: Cash or Ch		
Membership Status: Renewal		
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Maiden Name:	Instrument:	Year Graduated:
Social or Field Office Held: _		Date of Birth:
ACTIVE MEMBERS ONL		ot be liable or responsible for, and shall be
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to any property, received or s	ustained by a person or p	persons or property, arising out of, or
occasioned by, directly or ind	lirectly, my participation	in any RHAA function, including claims
and damages in whole or in p	art from the negligence	of the RHAA. It is the expressed intent of
the parties that the indemnity	provided for herein is an	n indemnity extended by me to indemnify
and protect the RHAA from t	he consequences of RHA	AA's own negligence, whether that
negligence is the sole or contr	ributory cause of the rest	altant injury, death, or damage.
I also agree to return any instr	rument assigned to me, i	n the same or similar condition as it was a
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any case, the return shall be n	o later than 15 days foll	owing said event. I further agree that I am
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repairs for damages to the ins	trument issued to me.	
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