



## RED HUSSAR ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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### **A Moment with MaryAnn**

Dear Ladies,

Hello to all! I hope that all of you are doing well, during this time of the year. I know that things are going fast for me and my family.

I would like to say thanks to the ladies that attended our March meeting. It was a small attendance, but we enjoyed everyone's company. We even had a few ladies we haven't seen in awhile.

I believe that our main goal, at this time is **Relay for Life** and the election of new officers. Christine is doing a great job for Relay, but we need your help! We are asking for a donation for the silent auction item the RHAA is putting together. The money our item brings in will be added to our team total, so please send your donation our way! I know that any officer will gladly pick it up if you would call or better yet, bring it to our next meeting at the Port Arthur Library on April 16 at 7pm.

Now for the next item, election of new officers, we need you to step up to the plate. WE have had two new ladies that did that, Jerry LeBlanc and Gretchen Buchanan said YES!!! They have decided that they would like to participate as an officer for the coming year. We don't want to lose anybody, but I know that some ladies just might want to take a break for a year. I know that I took a break for a while, but I am glad to be part of the planning for all the ladies. Let's all pull together and help keep the RHAA alive and well.

Hussar Love,  
Mary Ann

## Relay for Life

It's almost here! April 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> will be the dates for the Annual Relay for Life. Christine Collazo is our Team Captain. Remember, if you are on the team, we ask that you raise \$100 per member, which is **due by April 19<sup>th</sup>**. 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. We will also be selling our brownies again this year at the event, so please bake a batch or two & bag them 2 brownies per bag & have them ready to go to the Relay with you.

- 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. We will also be turning in all money.
- **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.
- **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 bucket 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 the General Meeting and help us fill the cooler.**
- Don't forget to bring any change you can spare to all of our events. We are collecting all spare change in our "Coins for a Cure" Can & will add this to our money raised for Relay for Life.

## Scholarship Applications

We have three recipients this year. Congratulations to them all.

**Justin Krautz**, grandson of Dianne & Johnny Krautz. He is a Senior at Nederland High School.

**Michael Broussard**, son of MaryAnn & Robert Broussard, he is a Senior at Port Neches-Groves.

**Blake Walker**, grandson of Jean & Harvey Leblanc & also the son of Marie Walker, our web master. He is a Senior at Ross S. Sterling High School in Baytown, Texas.

## 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. So far we have sold 145 tickets. Good work so far ladies.

## Commemorative Buttons

We are still selling photo buttons as a fundraiser for Relay for Life, but we only have 8 buttons left! We are honoring our beloved Cathy Scott Lopez with the photo buttons this year. We wore them for Mardi Gras and will be wearing them for Relay for Life. They are \$4.00 per button. Also, remember to wear your Margie Broussard button if you have one.

## Tie-Dye Shirts Have Arrived

The Tie-Dye shirts are in, so if you have ordered one, you need to contact Dianne Krautz to get your shirt. She will have them available at the general meetings. Thanks to all who ordered.

### **Important RHAA Dates**

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 Novrozsky's (drawing for the Quilt Raffle)

<p><b>Please note that we have moved our Installation Dinner from the Schooner to Novrozsky's in Nederland on Hwy 365 due to a conflict in schedule.</b></p>
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### **Proud Announcements**

Pam Yates would like to let everyone know that her daughter, Melissa, has received an invitation to participate in the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine. This is a summer opportunity that would enable her to examine state-of-the-art diagnostic tools & interact with some of the nation’s most distinguished medical leaders. Melissa has not decided yet if she will pursue this invitation into the medical field, but it is a great honor to have been invited.

### **Prayer Request**

Our Heartfelt sympathy goes out to Juanita Culver in the loss of her brother, Lawrence Culver, who passed from this world on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. He was a Golden Gloves Boxing Champion. He served in the U.S. Navy and U.S. Air Force, and graduated from the NCO Academy. He retired from James River, Orange, as a Maintenance Supervisor, with 28 years service.

Also, Ruth Potts was hospitalized while suffering from a cat bite. This is a pet cat that she has had for several years. The cat was possibly suffering from some type of trauma. She showed the bite her doctor & he immediately told her that she needed to go to the hospital. She had to undergo surgery to remove the Strep Infection & is recovering slowly. She has both hands bandaged up. She is home now & recovering from her injuries. Please keep her recovery process in your prayers.

We received the e-mail below, requesting our prayers;

**Sent:** Thursday, March 19, 2009 12:21 PM

Will you please put me on your prayer request list, I (Nita Tapscott-Martin) Ricke had surgery on 3/24 and my recovery will be 6 weeks with 3 weeks not being able to drive. My cousin and her daughter will be coming from Tuesday to Friday to help with my kids since they are Spring Break that week. Please pray for wisdom and skill for the doctor, a speedy recovery for me, and help with getting my kids to and from school. Blessing, Nita

### **A letter of Thanks**

Dear Alumni Members,

I would like to express how grateful I am for the generous scholarship that has been awarded to me on behalf of this wonderful organization. The Red Hussars have been a part of my life for as long as I can remember and it is such an honor to be recognized by an organization that has been such a huge part of my family. The memories I have of watching my mom play her bugle in the Mardi Gras Parades with her fellow Hussars are ones I will have forever, and now this scholarship is also another Hussar memory I will carry with me. This will help me tremendously and I thank you so much!

Sincerely,

Trey Harrington

(son of Janis & Kenny Harrington & Nephew of Susan & Tony Trevino).

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