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A Moment with MaryAnn

Dear Ladies,

I cannot believe that this year is coming to a close. We have had one whirlwind of a year. Some great things have happened but we have also had some sad moments this year. I would like to say thanks to all the members for being part of the RHAA, no matter how small. I would like to thank this year officers for all the support you have given to me and wish Christel the best of luck next year. It is sad to say good-bye to Dianne who has served as an officer for many years, I hope that you enjoy your time off and will soon be ready to serve again in the near future. I send warm welcomes to Jerry and Gretchen for the coming year and hope you will enjoy your time as an officer.

Hussar Love,

MaryAnn Broussard
RHAA President 2008-2009

2009 Relay for Life Wrap-Up
(Proud Participants since 2003!)

Thanks to **everyone** for all the help with Relay for Life this year. Despite our early departure from Relay due to the impending bad weather, I think everything went perfectly!

We had 14 “official” members on our Rockin’ Relay team this year: **Mary Ann, Gretchen, Christel, Jean, Carmen, Nancy, Cammie, Bonnie, Paula, Debi Tamez, Debbie Theriot, Helen, Pam** and **Christine**. We rock!

Congratulations to our 2 top fundraisers: **Nancy**- donations and luminaries and **Cammie** – online donations. GREAT WORK!!!

I really appreciate those of you who helped set up our camp site: **MaryAnn** and Bobby, **Paula** and Glenn, **Nancy, Helen** and Butch, **Bonnie, Pam, Debbie, Rita** and Vince, **Cathy’s** sweetie. You all are awesome- THANKS!

Thanks to all who brought brownies for our on-site fundraiser. The wide assortment was a real crowd pleaser, and we had plenty to sell.

The Luminary ceremony, as always, was both beautiful and saddening. The RHAA team honored nearly 80 of our friends and family members with beautifully decorated luminary bags.

Thanks to **Gretchen** for taking charge of Elvis. She enlisted the help of the Woodshop Department at Memorial High School again this year to build our Elvis cut-outs. Both Kings were Totally Rockin’!

Speaking of THE KING....The man **himself** showed up at our campsite during the Luminary ceremony!! No doubt he was there to pay tribute to Cathy, the biggest Elvis fan of them all! Elvis posed for pictures with us all, then strutted around the track with a few adoring fans. A HUGE thanks goes out to **Paula Sheppard** arranging Elvis’ visit. Who knew Paula had such good connections?

Thanks to our many RHAA members and families who came to support our cause. We had a tent full of supporters- it was GREAT!!!!

Cheers to **Nancy** and **Christine** for providing some wonderful clogging entertainment on the big stage at Relay. They, along with other cloggers, rocked the stage with their fancy footwork.

The RHAA’s Silent Auction basket was the best item on the table! The total value of our basket was \$141.00. The winning bid was \$60.00, so this amount will go toward our team total.

A super-big shout of thanks goes to Garrett, **Cammie’s** son. He was with us at Relay when the officials closed down the event because of the impending bad weather. We were able to load everything in his truck before the weather arrived. He and Cammie even returned all of the materials to the shed the next day. Thanks sooooo much, I don’t know what we would have done without you!

I’ve served as our Relay for Life Team Captain for the past 6 years, and have LOVED every minute of it....but I am passing the Team Captain torch for next year. Thanks so much for allowing me to lead our team. Here’s to many, many more successful Relay events!

Here are the figures for Rockin Relay, 2009:

Total Donations:	\$ 2911.56
(Team	\$2664.25)
(Online	\$ 130.00)
(On-Site	\$ 57.31)
(Auction	\$ 60.00)
Total Luminary:	\$ 202.00

Grand Total: \$3113.56

**Mark your calendars for next year's event:
April 23-24, 2010**

RHAA Installation of New Officers

We are proud to announce our new RHAA officers for the 2009-2010 year. They are as follows;

- President Christel Chamberlain
- Vice President Cammie Pool
- Secretary Helen Wyble
- Treasurer Mary Ann Broussard
- Public Relations Pam Yates
- Instrument Qtr Christine Collazo
- Uniform Qtr Gretchen Buchanan
- Chaplain Paula Sheppard
- Parliamentarian Jerry LeBlanc
- Historian Debbie Theriot

What a fine group of women! Congratulations to them all. We will be installing our new officers Thursday, May 21st at Novrozsky's in Nederland on Hwy 365 at 7:00pm. Please come out and support the group and as always, be ready for a wonderful time.

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.

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 21st, 2009 at our Officer Installation. We will be using the money raised to go toward our Community Service projects. So far we have sold \$330 worth of tickets. Please bring any tickets you still have to the installation & we will have some available to purchase that night if you have not had a chance to do so. **Also, if you have not yet picked up your tie-dye shirt, Dainne will have them at the installation meeting also. We still have 3 left to be picked up.**

Party Goods for Sale!

“Attention RHAA Customers, we are having a RED & WHITE special on isle 5!!”
Now that we have your attention, we have several items that are left over from our Relay-for-Life decorations. We decorated to a Rock-N-Roll theme. We would like to try to sell these items for \$35 OBO (or best offer). These would be great for a birthday party or class reunion party or any type of get together. Here is what we have left;

5 ft Blow-up Juke Box (unused) valued at \$20

16 laminated signs (various styles)

6 records

11- 18”inflatable guitars (various colors)

All of these items are from the Oriental Trading Company, so if you like, you can go online and view what they look like. Please let a RHAA officer know if you are interested or would like to submit an offer. Thanks.

Prayer Request

Marie Walker, daughter of Harvey & Jean LeBlanc and also our webmaster, has been in the hospital since Monday afternoon. They admitted her because of her breathing problem. After leaving the emergency room she was in ICU for 2 days monitoring her heart and running tests on her lungs. She has had NO heart attacks, NO problem with her lungs and NOT a diabetic. They don't how much longer she will be there as they are giving her heavy doses of antibiotics for her cellulitis. Harvey & Jean went Tuesday and spent the day with her. They talked to her Thursday and she was still on IVs, oxygen, and they gave her two units of blood. She will be transferred to skilled nursing at San Jacinto Methodist (146 campus) on Monday were she will be on an IV with antibiotics for the cellulitis for at least 2 to 3 weeks

Please keep all of us in your prayers.

Thanks. Jean

Proud Announcements

Congratulations to Michael Broussard, son of Robert and MaryAnn Broussard. He has achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. He is a proud member of the “world famous” Troop 75 of Port Arthur, Texas. His project was a Memory Garden at St. Elizabeth’s Church. He has been active with this organization for the past 12 years. What a great accomplishment!

Well, Melissa Yates, daughter of Lynn & Pam Yates, has done it again! She was nominated and accepted into the National Society of High School Scholars. Membership into the Society is by nomination only. Her nomination was based on her “outstanding scholastic achievement and academic excellence”. She will be wearing a special Honor Cord with her cap and gown, reflecting her membership into the NSHSS. Yes, mom and dad are very proud.