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Dear Hussars,

Mardi Gras is just around the corner and I am getting excited about our upcoming performance. This is the busiest and most fun time of the year for the Red Hussar Alumni. It is not too late to join in on the fun!

I want to thank Marissa and Helen for attending the Mardi Gras Float meeting with me to make sure we have all our "Hussars in a row". Thank you to Christine for her many trips to the storage unit for the float materials and instruments. Christine will also have bottled water for us to drink after the parade. Thank you to Dianne for tending to the purchase of the Mardi Gras beads. Thank you to my husband, John Pool, for putting the float together and making the necessary adjustments for it to fit the trailer. And as always, thank you Rachel and Jean for keeping us all informed via e-mails and our newsletter.

Nominations for officers will be held at Mardi Gras. If you are interested in being an officer for 2007-2008, please contact me or Helen Wyble. The nominations will close at the March general meeting.

Hussar Love,

Cammie

2006-2007 RHAA Officers

President	Cammie Pool
Vice President	Pam Yates
Secretary	Marissa Phillips-Stiles
Treasurer	Debbie Theriot
Historian	Cathy Lopez
Asst. Historian	Sally Graham
Public Relations	Rachel Hawkins
Parliamentarian	Helen Wyble
Chaplain	Paula Sheppard
Asst. Chaplain	Arlene Howland
Instrument	Christine Collazo
Asst. Instrument	Cheryl Gibbs
Uniform	Dianne Krautz
Asst. Uniform	Maeve East
Past President	Christel Chamberlain

Please email any of the above officers with questions regarding the RHAA, rhaa@gt.rr.com.



Please Pray For:

- Pam Yates who recently lost her mother. She sent the following note:
*"I would like to take this opportunity to tell you how much I greatly appreciate the thoughts and prayers during the loss of my mother. It is a difficult thing to go through, but it helps to know that you have friends who care. Thank you for your cards and sentiments and thank you for the visits. I never felt alone. I knew that I had plenty of support. I love each and everyone of you and you all hold a special Hussar place in my heart. Again many thanks and Hussar Love,
Pam Espinoza Yates"*

General Meetings

The Port Arthur Library has been reserved for 7 PM on March 22 and April 19 for the RHAA general meetings. The library is located at Highway 73 & 9th Avenue. Mark your calendar!



BIRTHDAYS

February

2/3	Sara Dominguez Hernandez
2/13	Debbie Fernandez Theriot
2/15	Joan Traube Gray
2/17	Sissy Hogan Wood
2/20	Mary Bergeron Dorsey
2/29	Charlotte Maltese Ober

March

3/6	Cathy Scott Lopez
3/10	Sue Scott Williams
3/16	Irene Soliz Lopez
3/19	Virginia McNamara Whigham
3/24	Jean Scott LeBlanc
3/30	Juanita Culver
3/30	Elma Quintela Mendez



A special thanks to Mr. Mitchell, Cheryl Gibbs' dad, for making a back door for the float. Thank you to Cheryl for volunteering her father and his carpentry skills.

Mardi Gras '07

We will lead the Grand Parade on Saturday, February 17, 2007. Be at Rose Hill (100 Woodworth Blvd.) by 4 PM. The group picture will be taken at 4:30 PM sharp! Members who are not marching or riding on the float are welcome to join us for the picture and camaraderie. Remember, red shirt/sweatshirt, white pants and white tennis shoes/boots. You can accessorize with whatever appropriate Mardi Gras decorations you would like – even red or purple hair! It's a fun time for everyone. It's supposed to be cold, so dress appropriately.



Escorts

We need escorts to walk alongside the corps as we march down the parade route. They are responsible for keeping the crowds away by holding a rope on each side of the corps. If you have a family member or friend who is available, call **Helen Wyble** or just have the escort show up with you at Rose Hill.

College Scholarships

Helen Wyble reminds everyone that scholarship applications are due no later than **March 30!** If you have a child or grandchild who will be graduating from high school in 2007 and are interested in applying for a **RHAA** scholarship, contact **Helen**.



Treasurer's Report

Debbie Theriot reports a January 2007 balance of \$2,037.83.



Need a Shirt?

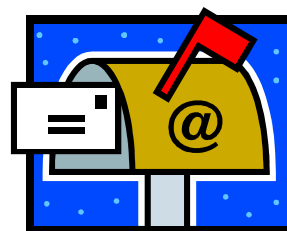
Call **Dianne Krautz** if you need to order a shirt or sweatshirt. The Mardi Gras parade uniform will be red shirt/sweatshirt, white pants, and white tennis shoes/boots.

Also, **Dianne** has **RHAA** blinky buttons for sale for \$4/each.



NEW OFFICER INSTALLATION

Cammie Pool has reserved the **Schooner Restaurant** for the 2007-08 officer installation. It will be held on Thursday, May 17 at 7 PM. Nominations will be opened on Saturday, February 17 (before the parade). Think about serving as an officer –it's a lot of fun.



If you are receiving this newsletter via U.S. mail and have an e-mail account, please send me a note so that I can add your e-mail address to the distribution list. You will then receive the newsletter via e-mail and eliminate the cost of copying and a stamp for the RHAA.

My e-mail address is:

r2rhawkins@sbcglobal.net



Photographs

Hernandez Photography will be shooting our group picture this year at 4:30 PM – prior to the Mardi Gras parade. Be there on time to be a part of the 2007 RHAA picture.

Newsletter Items

Contact **Rachel Hawkins** if you have an item for this newsletter, e-mail her at: r2rhawkins@sbcglobal.net. Also, please send any prayer requests.





2007 Relay for Life is scheduled for April 27-28 at Nederland Bulldog Stadium. The theme is “*Boots & Beaches & Beating Cancer.*” Call **Christine Collazo** to sign up for this important team. Team RHAA has dedicated this year’s event to the memory of **Margie Broussard**.



Sycamore School

Every Fat Tuesday for the last 6-8 years, the RHAA has been invited to entertain the students at Sycamore School (1608 S 29th Street, Nederland) for their annual Mardi Gras parade. It’s a fun event and the children seem to really enjoy our participation. We usually take about 8-10 members to this event, pass out beads and enjoy a few desserts after the parade. Wear red shirt/sweatshirt, blue jeans and white tennis shoes/boots if you are able to

participate. Also, bring beads. We will meet at Sycamore at 9:30 AM.



Hussar-Colleen Party

The Colleens are hosting this year’s party and have announced that the annual event will take place on Saturday, March 24. It will be held at the Graduate Museum on Procter Street from 11 AM to 2 PM.

The Hussars will wear red shirt/sweatshirt, white pants and white boots/tennis shoes.

Also, be sure to invite all former Hussars to attend. It’s nice to see all the former Hussars join us for this annual party.



Membership Numbers

AS of 2/06/07

Active	61
Associate	8
Sustaining	3
Honorary	<u>8</u>
Total	80



Hussar Angels

We would like to honor our deceased RHAA members by listing them in this column. (If we've missed anyone, please let us know)

Rest in Peace

Deanny Youngblood Beard
Marjorie Baxley Broussard
Susie Kinney Gartin
Betty O'Quinn Jordan
Donna Worthington