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Dear Hussars.

Here we are again at the beginning of a new year! I hope each of you had a Merry Christmas and that the New Year will bring much happiness.

Please come join us at TJ's parking lot on Saturday mornings for the Mardi Gras practices. Marissa (and hopefully Bonnie) is ready to whip us into shape. Marissa just needs to find her whistle!

Be sure to read the entire newsletter for Mardi Gras information and all of our upcoming events.

Happy New Year,

Cammie



Christine Collazo is reminding everyone that **Relay for Life** is just around the corner – the 2007 event will be held April 27-28 at Nederland Bulldog Stadium. The theme is "Boots & Beaches & Beating Cancer." Check your schedule and determine if you are available to participate. This year will be dedicated in memory of Margie Broussard.

2006-2007 **RHAA Officers**

President	Cammie Pool
Vice President	Pam Yates
Secretary	Marissa Phillips-Stiles
Treasurer	Debbie Theriot
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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.



- Carole Faulk (an Honorary Hussar and mother to Christel Chamberlain and Cammie Pool) recently had surgery and is doing fine. Get well soon Carole!
- Paula Sheppard asked for prayers for daughter Jaime who recently her underwent surgery.
- Cammie Pool reports that her motherin-law's surgery went well. Pathology report was good. We are thankful!



<u>February</u>			
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		

CavOilCade Princess

If you have a daughter or granddaughter who will be a senior in the fall and would like to represent the **Red Hussar Alumni Assn.** in CavOilCade, please contact **Anna Breaux** at 736-1941 for information. She must be enrolled in an area high school.

Newsletter Items

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

Christmas family

Marissa Stiles reports that the family who received our Christmas donation was very appreciative and thankful. The mother related that her four children were able to enjoy Christmas this year due to our contribution. Thanks for your generosity.



Mardi Gra*s* °07

First practice for Mardi Gras '07 was held Saturday, January 6, at TJ's parking lot from 9-11 a.m. Eighteen members showed and marched around the parking lot a couple of

times. We had two of our members drive in from the Houston area for this first practice - thanks Brenda Schnell and Juanita Culver. Now if we could just get some of our members who live in the area to commit to this event, we would have a large number of proud Red Hussars marching this year. If you are unable to march, you can still participate by riding in the RHAA float and throwing beads. We are scheduled to lead the Grand Parade on Saturday, February 17, 2007. Please mark your calendar and make plans to attend a few practices to get in marching shape! Practice dates are: 1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3 & 2/10. One of those Saturday dates will be the Hussar-Colleen party. The Colleen's are hosting this year and will advise us of the date.



If any one would like to donate their collection of Mardi Gras beads for the float riders to throw, contact **Cammie Pool** or bring them to a Saturday practice. Your donation will be greatly appreciated!



New RHAA Family Members Congratulations to Helen Wyble and Myrna Becker who announced that they will become Great Grandmothers in 2007!

Also, **Rachel Hawkins** will be welcoming her fifth grandchild in June. Proud Daddy is **Honorary Hussar Reagan Hawkins.**

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 2006 year-end balance of \$3,170.22.

Need an Instrument?

If you are planning to practice for the Mardi Gras parade and don't have an instrument, call **Christine Collazo.** She will go to the storage room and bring one to practice if you call her by Thursday evening before the Saturday practice date.

Need a Shirt/Sweatshirt?

Call **Dianne Krautz** if you need to order a shirt or sweatshirt. The parade uniform will be 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).

Thanks Dad!

Officer **Cheryl Gibbs** has volunteered her Dad to repair the float needed for the parade. We hope that he will be able to make the necessary repairs so that the float will be available to roll on Saturday, February 17th!



Photographs

Hernandez Photography will be shooting our group picture this year at 4:30 PM – prior to the Mardi Gras parade. A form for

ordering group pictures as well as individual pictures will be available soon.



<u>Membership Numbers</u>

As of 12/31/06

Active	57
Associate	8
Sustaining	3
Honorary	<u>8</u>
Total	76



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