

## RED HUSSAR ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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Dear Hussars,

Once again Mardi Gras went off without a hitch and everyone had a great time. The fun began with our annual Float Party. I appreciate all of the help with the float and the beads. We had new faces for Mardi Gras this year. I would like to welcome our newest member, **Gretchen Buchanan**. She has joined our group with full force and even enlisted Israel, a genuine Hussar Escort, to join in the fun.

Mardi Gras night was a little cold, but it sure beat the rain we had last year. I would like to thank **Chuck Cedars** and his daughter, **Shelby**, for pulling our float. Helen said, "Chuck was a gentleman and a good driver!" I'd like to thank all the escorts who lined the corps and **Vince, Cathy Lopez's boyfriend**, for letting us use his generator. Thank you again to **Mr. Mitchell, Cheryl Gibbs' dad**, for making the back door to our float. We couldn't have done it without you! And thank you to **John Pool** for letting us monopolize "his" low-boy for weeks preparing for the Mardi Gras parade.

See you at the March General Meeting!

Hussar Love,

*Cammie*

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Please call any of the above officers with questions regarding the RHAA.



*Please Pray  
For:*

David Hernandez, son of Sara Hernandez who will be undergoing heart surgery in Houston on Thursday, March 8.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Jack Stamper (Honorary Hussar), on the loss of his brother Bill. Condolences also go to Christel Stamper Chamberlain and Cammie Stamper Pool, nieces of the deceased.

Also, Henry Pedraza, husband of former RHAA member Alicia died Monday, March 5. Please remember this family as they bury their loved one.

## *Important General Meeting*

The Port Arthur Library has been reserved for 7 PM on March 22 for our general meeting. We will finalize the slate of officers for 2007-2008 and vote on our Cav-Oil-Cade princess. If you are interested in serving as an officer, please attend the meeting or have someone nominate you. The library is located at Highway 73 & 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Mark your calendar!

Bring beads to this meeting for next year's Mardi Gras. They will be used by the float riders.



## Hussar-Colleen Party

The annual Hussar-Colleen Party will be held Saturday, March 24, 11 AM – 2 PM. It will be held at the Graduate Museum on Procter Street. The Colleens are hosting this year.

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. You don't have to be a member of RHAA to attend so gather all your Hussar friends and have them join us for great fellowship with the Colleens.



## Mardi Gras '07

The Grand Parade began a few minutes late but the Red Hussar Drum & Bugle Corps was right on! We marched 30+ strong and had 7 riders on the float.

A grand time was had by all. Everyone seemed to be OK after the 2-mile parade. The pace was set by the police cars directly in front of the corps. Now if we could only figure out how to stop the PAFD from sounding their loud horn directly behind us! It was a little noisy and disruptive.



### 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

### April

4/3	Myrna Gonsoulin Becker
4/5	Beverly Landry Parks
4/17	Christine Scott Collazo
4/18	Chloe Moerbe Clark
4/22	Elsiegene Moore Richard
4/26	Julie Hollingsworth Rhoden



## College Scholarships

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 Wyble**. Helen reports that three requests have been received and applications have been mailed to those people. One application has been returned. Deadline is March 31<sup>st</sup>.



## Treasurer's Report

**Debbie Theriot** reports a February 2007 balance of \$1,754.62.



## Photographs

**Hernandez Photography** shot our group picture prior to the Mardi Gras parade. Pictures will be mailed out to those who ordered.

## NEW OFFICER INSTALLATION

The Schooner Restaurant has been reserved for the 2007-08 officer installation. It will be held on Thursday, May 17 at 7 PM.



**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**. If you would like to make a donation, make your check payable to the **"American Cancer Society"** and mail it to the RHAA at the address listed on the front page of this newsletter.

The Luminary Party will be held at 2 PM on April 15 at **Pam Yates'** home. Any money you collected may be turned in to **Christine Collazo** before the due date of April 15<sup>th</sup>.

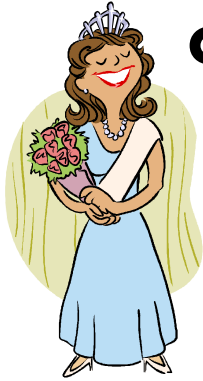
You can support the RHAA team at **"Relay for Life"** just by visiting them during their stay. It's a fun night and lots of activities are going on during the event. The RHAA will be selling brownies as one of our on-site fundraisers. So, please get your baking pans out!

**Helen Wyble** had **"Margie"** buttons made up for us to purchase and to wear to the Hussar-Colleen party and the Relay for Life. She ordered 35 but the nice gentleman who made them gave her 37. She sold all the buttons at Mardi Gras for a profit of \$38.50 (the buttons cost \$2.50). She will have additional buttons made for sale at the general meeting and at the H-C party.

## Sycamore School

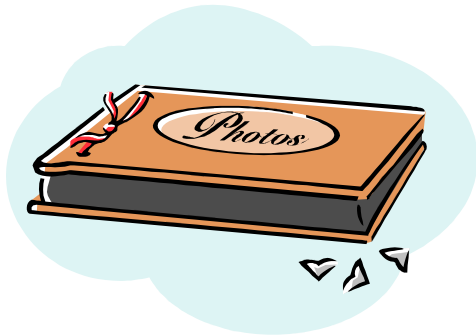
Fat Tuesday found 12 RHAA members entertaining the students at Sycamore School in Nederland for their annual Mardi Gras parade. It was a fun event and the children seemed to really enjoy our participation. We passed out beads and enjoyed refreshments.





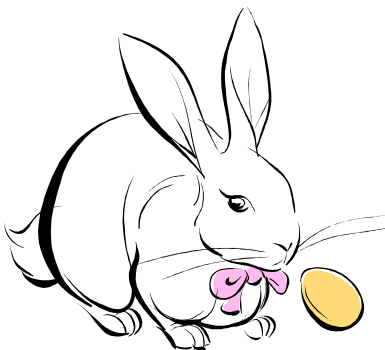
## Cav-Oil-Cade Princess

Anna Breaux reports that the RHAA has two applicants who would like to represent us at Cav-Oil-Cade this year. We will be making selection by vote at the March 22<sup>nd</sup> general meeting so be there to cast your choice.



Marissa Phillips-Stiles reports that she is compiling a photo album to present to Margie Broussard's family. If anyone has any photos they would like to contribute to this effort, please get in touch with .

Also, Marissa is a sponsor of a Daisy Girl Scout Troop (kindergarten girls) who are having a garage sale on March 31. If you would like to donate any items, bring them to the general meeting or contact Marissa for pick-up.

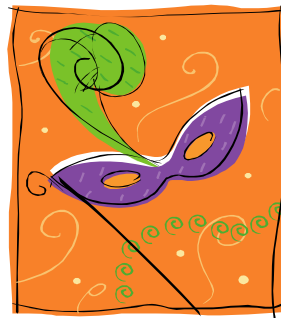


If anyone is interested in picking up the chairmanship of the Children's Miracle Network, please contact **Cammie Pool**. This event is held in June each year and it was a favorite of **Margie Broussard**. She worked tirelessly arranging our participation in this project along with her affiliation with Christus St. Mary Hospital.



**Daylight Savings Time** begins earlier this year – on **Sunday, March 11**.

Be sure to move your clocks forward one hour.



**2008 Mardi Gras** will be held earlier next year – we will be marching on Saturday, February 2. Not much time to get in shape after Christmas!

Mark your calendar now. Sunday's parade will be in direct conflict with the Super Bowl!

# **Membership Numbers**

As of 03/01/07

<b>Active</b>	<b>63</b>
<b>Associate</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Sustaining</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Honorary</b>	<b><u>8</u></b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>82</b>



## **Hussar Angels**

We would like to honor our deceased RHAA members by listing them in this column.

### **Rest in Peace**

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