

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

DEAR FELLOW ALUMNI:

It was always a privilege to be a Peacock Kadet and that sentiment continues as a member of the PMA Alumni Association, as director and as president of the Association.

The first weekend of April and October are always marked off on my calendar for a trip to San Antonio. Elizabeth and I get very excited about seeing the PMA board members, their wives, Donna and Mrs. Peacock. October of the Reunion years is exceptionally enjoyable. Local alumni and their ladies are so very resourceful and creative in planning the most delightful activities for the group. What a debt of gratitude we owe them for all of their efforts! Your CEO, Mike, and Ginger are perennial Trojans!

If all the PMA alumni who have attended meetings of the board or reunion (s) were asked for a mission statement of PMA Alumni Association, there would be a plethora of thoughts, but I think their suggestions would be as diverse as the group. Not the least of these would be the sharing and reflecting on values/programs that epitomized Peacock Military Academy, enjoying the camaraderie and sharing common bonds that had profound effects on our lives. Remember that any member can attend the board meetings but be sure to advise Mike in advance of your plans.

At the April meeting of the Board of Directors, the agenda included the business of plans for the Reunion which is scheduled for October 6-8, 2006 at the St. Anthony Hotel.

Mark your calendars now for the October 6-8th reunion and come and enjoy the occasion with your fellow Kadets and friends. Hope to see you in October.

Ben Sutton

REUNION 2006

The plans have been made for another great Reunion! Beginning on October 6th, there will be a dinner on the Starlight Terrace, located on the Rooftop of the St. Anthony Hotel. On Saturday, October 7th, the Board of Directors will meet followed by the General Assembly of all Alumni. Saturday evening will be dinner and dancing in the St. Anthony Ballroom. Sunday, The Wesley Peacock House will be open from 11:00am until 3:00pm.

Registration information will be mailed out the first week of June with more details on the reunion and how to register.

REUNION ENTERTAINMENT

Brought back by popular demand, the Reunion 2006 will have Gerald Ragsdale, Class of 1971, on Friday night and The Cones Sisters on Saturday night. If you have not seen them, you will be pleasantly surprised, they are great!

PEACOCK KADET MEDAL RECIPIENTS FOR 2006

San Antonio Academy
David Rochelle
Presented by: Tony Nieto, '60

Texas Military Institute
Lucia Alvarez
Presented by: Mike Vlieger, '62

San Marcos Academy
Josh Brame
Presented by: Byron Robinson

Marine Military Academy
Vincent R. Cervassi
Presented by: Earl Adams, '62

THE WESLEY PEACOCK HOUSE

I enjoy opening the Wesley Peacock House for private tours on request. Just call ahead with one week's notice and I will meet you there. Call Mike (210) 835-4996 or (830) 816-5013.

As we go to press, Elaine Austin reports that the exterior painting and repairs to the Wesley Peacock House are about 90% completed. Elaine is a volunteer with the Salvation Army and one of her many assignments is helping the Ladies Auxiliary of the Army and maintaining the House.

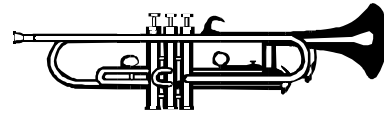
An Alumni donation paid half the cost of the originally planned repairs and the Salvation Army then expanded the scope of the work to enable additional needed repairs to the interior of the building. Termite damage (the termites are now gone) was visible in the area where Col. Wesley's office used to be located and that is being repaired. An additional display case is being built to house PMA

memorabilia that we have not previously been able to show.

The Peacock Academy Records (PAR) Fund was created by Col. Don and his family to help endow the cost of operating the Wesley Peacock House as a repository for the academic records. Only the income from this fund can be spent for these costs. Any of you who want to help grow this Fund can send your donations marked PAR Fund or contact Mike Vlieger for more information.

TAPS

William L. Autry, '47
Loyall L. (Lee) Barr, II, '62
Jon Dudley Smith, '56



HOW TO CONTACT PMA

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2006 DUES ARE DUE!

Alumni dues for 2006 are due now and a Dues Form is included with this newsletter. If you have already paid your dues, please disregard this notice. The Dues Form may also be used to make a contribution to PAR.

THANKS!

CONDENSED MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PEACOCK MILITARY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC. APRIL 8, 2006

A quorum was present for the purpose of transacting business; and prior to the reading of the minutes, Mike Vlieger, CEO, read a letter from Lynn Powell which tendered his resignation as Secretary of the Association and expressed his desire to remain a member of the Board. His letter also expressed concerns about expending funds on the Senior Terrace given the lack of certainty about what the Salvation Army might eventually do with that area.

The minutes of the prior meeting were read by Don Yust, Association VP, acting as Secretary for Lynn Powell. The minutes were approved with minor corrections. The Treasurer's report was approved as read by Ed Ford.

The Peacock Academy Records (PAR) fund status was reported by Mike Vlieger. An anonymous donation to the PAR fund will be matched for the Salvation Army to make much needed repairs to the Wesley Peacock House which serves as the museum and alumni records repository.

It was reported that the Association website, www.peacockmilitaryacademy.com is running with newsletters and old photos. This website has been updated.

After lengthy discussion, it was agreed that an attempt should be made to obtain Salvation Army support in designation of the Senior Terrace as a Historical Landmark along with the Wesley Peacock House to assure their preservation. Mike Vlieger, Butch Daughtry and Donna Peacock (as family representative) were appointed as a committee to work on this project.

The practice of giving out the Peacock Medals to distinguished cadets at four other military prep schools was discussed and upon the recommendation of Mike Vlieger, it was agreed that the remaining eight medal will be given out for the next two years (four each year) and discontinued at that time. After that, six new medals donated by an Alumnus will be given for Distinguished Service by Alumni.

Reunion 2006 will be Friday October 6 and Saturday October 7 at the St. Anthony Hotel with an open house to be on Sunday October 8th. Rooms have been reserved at \$119 per night, the same rate as 2002!

A motion to accept Lynn Powell's resignation as Secretary of the Board was approved and Leon Whitfield was approved as temporary secretary. A motion to delegate some of the work on newsletters to Tony Nieto and Butch Daughtry was approved in order to assist Mike Vlieger.

Motion to adjourn was approved.

Donald Yust, class of '71

Vice President (acting secretary)

Ben Sutton, class of '42

President

FACULTY UPDATE

Kadet & Faculty Profile

By: Pat Boscamp

- Lt. Middleton taught at PMA for 8 years, from 1959-1967, teaching English and coaching basketball. He also coached basketball at St. Mary's University and 9 years in the San Antonio school district. He retired from coaching after 19 years in 1995. Lt. Middleton and his wife, Doris, have 3 children and 7 grandchildren. Those of you that wish to write the IT, his address is 13607 Stoney Hill San Antonio, TX 78231-1822 or call (210) 482-9233.
- One of the finest and sharpest kadets I have known is Butch Daughtry ('58). He drove a gasoline truck for Jerry Smith's ('58) dad during the Summer of '56. He stopped by the PMA campus, parked the truck in front of the Headquarters and went in to ask for information about PMA. Col. Wesley was amazed to see a 16 year old driving an 18 wheeler hauling gasoline and encouraged Daughtry to attend as a day student. He went home and told his parents he wanted to go to Peacock if they would help with the costs. They agreed and later, helped his brother Dallas attend PMA as well. Jerry Smith's dad was so impressed with PMA that he sent Jerry there also. Taps has sounded for both Dallas and Jerry, both fine kadets that are missed by all who knew them.

Daughtry was a 2 year student and graduated as class Valedictorian, kadet Captain and Drum Major of the Drum and Bugle Corps. Butch credits his PMA experience with opening the door for him to receive and appointment to the Air Force Academy where he attended during the Summer & Fall of '58 before resigning. Science and engineering were not his real aptitude or interest and in those days every USAFA Cadet majored in those subjects.

He then spent the Spring and Summer of '59 driving a truck all over Texas, New Mexico and Colorado hauling steel. Col. Wesley and Col. Don offered him a job as Tactical Officer beginning the Fall of '59 which he gladly accepted. While attending San Antonio College full time for a year and a half, Daughtry lived in Mac Hall, coached JV football and basketball, worked with Drum and Bugle Corps and the Tactical Platoon.

Butch transferred to the University of Texas in the Spring of '61 and graduated from there in the Summer of '62 with a BBA degree in Business Administration with a major in Marketing. So, even though Daughtry is a teas sipper he has been a good friend to me. He married his wife Kaye in June of '64 and they have twin sons and 3 grandchildren.

Butch is now on the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association. Anyone wishing to contact him can e-mail to HDaughtry@aol.com