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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

LISTEN UP!

YOUR ASSOCIATION NEEDS YOUR HELP!

You read me right, WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

Our Association has enjoyed a good year on memberships but we need to do better and that is where you come into play. We know that many of you are always looking for classmates and asking them to join the Association. To you that are going the extra mile, Thanks! To you that are not doing the job, we ask you to get involved. Pick up the phone, and make those calls. We all will benefit.

Our Association is GREAT! But we know, with your help, it can and will be GREATER and that is what it's all about. We want to have the very best Association and it is possible if each of us puts forth the effort to locate, contact, and ask those guys to join and to become active. WE NEED THEM!

We have a super group of men and their families involved and there are many more out there that we need to contact and get involved. Please put forth the effort to find them and ask them to become a part of "their" Peacock Alumni Association.

Lights Out!

Wayne C. Spivey '51

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Peacock Military Academy Association, Inc., was held at the Wesley Peacock House on March 7, 1992. Eighteen of the twenty-five directors were present which constitutes a quorum.

The Board reviewed and selected an improved design of the Peacock Kadet Medal. The medal is awarded annually to the top seventh grade student at San Antonio Academy. Jack Whittiker, Class of 1963, has offered to manufacture these medals at no charge to the Alumni Association. Jack also offered to manufacture Senior Rings and donate 5% of the proceeds to the Association.

By unanimous vote Coach Lonnie W. Collins and Dick G. Thiesen were named honorary members of the Association.

Final topics discussed were the Wesley Peacock House improvements and a PAR report from Colonel Don.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Executive Committee met on March 7, 1992, immediately following the Board of Directors meeting. The committee decided that advance agendas will be sent to board members prior to the meeting. The Executive Committee also discussed breaking into working groups at Board meetings to increase individual input into the meetings. The next Executive Committee Meeting will be July 11, 1992, 12:00 Noon at The Wesley Peacock House.

THANKS AND APPRECIATION TO

RALPH BRASWELL '47, and his wife Doris for sending us a 30-minute video cassette transfer from 16-mm film taken during his Senior year at Peacock. It includes many views of the cavalry, the monkey drill team, and school activities. The dress parade scenes end with the cavalry passing in review three times: Walk, Trot and Gallop. Ralph and Doris, who attended the reunion last summer, own and operate the Braswell Cattle Company in Athens, Georgia.

LARRY GOURLEY '65, for donating his grandfather's saber to the Peacock House Memorabilia Room. His grandfather, J. IRVING GOURLEY, graduated from Peacock in 1906, so the saber is now 85 years old! We also have on exhibition two West Point type swords donated by EDWIN FORD '62, and BILL HUDNELL '65.

JOHN GILL '32, for sending his football jersey worn during the 1931 football season when Peacock won the Southwest Conference Championship.

PAUL CHRISTENSEN '62, for sending us the master copy and an audio cassette copy of the final graduation exercises in May of 1973. This is a very valuable addition to our rapidly growing collection of memorabilia. Paul is President of Omega Enterprises, audio and productions, in Dallas, Texas. He graduated from SMU and served in the USAF as a Captain 1967-1971. He and his wife, Donna have two children, Clay and Faith.

<u>IAMESSARRELS '43</u>, for his long two page list of reminiscences of two years at Peacock. Donna Peacock really appreciates the "input" to help her in writing "Parade Rest, Book II".

CHANGES ON SCHOOL CAMPUS

The old school campus, now known as the Salvation Army "Peacock Center", has undergone many changes since the Peacock Family conveyed the property to the Salvation Army in June of 1973. The following buildings have been razed and replaced with modern brick structures: Johnston Hall, McKinnon Hall, Academic Hall and North Hall. New replacement buildings are Catherine Hall and Matthews Hall, part of the "Peacock Village" Home for Girls. Adams Hall has also been remodeled and is the Girls Home administration building. Donaldson Hall has been remodeled and part of "Peacock Village", which also includes Richardson Hall.

Birkhead Hall has undergone a major interior renovation and is now a guest house for visiting Salvation Army people. Wilson Hall was torn down and is now a parking lot.

The Auditorium building, which also housed the Armory and Supply Room, has been converted to a modern hospitality room for senior citizens and also for Advisory Board luncheons and other purposes. Alarge "Games Room" has been added to the gymnasium, and the gymnasium covered with a brick veneer to match the other buildings.

On the Parade Ground is located the William Booth Apartments, a 3-million dollar home for Senior Citizens. The football field and baseball field (at one time called "cavalry field") are still open spaces and used for football and baseball by the "Peacock Community Center", which includes the gymnasium.

Directly across the street from the Peacock House (formally Academy Headquarters) is a quarter million dollar "Citadel Chapel", the Salvation Army Church, which also adjoins the old Academy Dining Hall, also remodeled.

The modern library building built in 1970 has been remodeled and is now the Administrative Head-quarters for all Salvation Army programs and activities in San Antonio.

ALUMNI WE HAVE RECENTLY HEARD FROM

JOE BURKETT, JR '29 - (Pearl)

Attorney At Law, Kerrville

BOBBY BUTLER '61 - (Mary Jo)

Butler Advertising Specialties Graduate University of St. Thomas, Houston

ALLAN DREWA '55 - (Barbara)

Senior Vice President, Operations, Grant TRW, Inc., Houston Graduate The University of Texas

GERALD C. SMITH '47 - (Vem)

Engineer,

Friedrich Air Conditioning Company, San Antonio Graduate Milwaukee School of Engineering

KEITH LAWYER '70

Owns and operates "The Levee" night club in Longview, Texas

DONALD LOEBBAKA '73 - (Barbara)

Police Officer, Tucson, Arizona

WILLIAM CHRISTMAS '60 - (Lydia Ann)

President, Christmas Furniture, Houston

DONALD REYNOLDS '44 - (Marjorie)

Retired - Tampa, Florida

BEN BISHOP '62 - (Paula)

Construction Estimator, E. L. Dalton Company, Inc., Dallas Past President, Associated General Contractors of Texas

WALTER RIDDLE '58 - (Carol Anne)

Veterinarian, Wichita Falls

SEAN FERGUSON '67 - (Linda)

Sales Manager, Vee Enterprises, Pasadena

EARL ADAMS '62 - (Dari Gale)

Farmer, Adams Farms, Harlingen

KIRK JOHNSON '54 - (Sue)

Architect, Dallas Graduate The University of Texas

EXTRACTS FROM PARADE REST, BOOK II

By Donna Peacock

Book II of "Parade Rest" will not be completed for several months yet but here is an excerpt from a chapter on 1946-47 school year -----

"Some school dance incidents didn't make the yearbook though — like the Friday night dinner formation shortly before a dance in the Mess Hall. Colonel Wesley Peacock took that moment to address the assembled corps on bathroom sanitation. He stated that he didn't expect all of the cadets to qualify as experts with a rifle, but he did expect all of them to 'hit a target the size of a toilet bowl from a distance of two feet. As he indicated the approximate target distance under discussion with his hands, the Colonel suddenly realized that some young ladies had arrived early for the dance and were getting a surprising lesson in bathroom etiquette from the male perspective.

Col. Wesley hurriedly ordered the Battalion Commander to proceed with the formation and walked away in dignified embarrassment.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS ??

Change of address should be reported by addressing notice to:

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THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!

Many thanks to Elaine Austin for arranging the Luncheon on March 7th for the wives of the Board of Directors. We visited Artisan's Alley — thoroughly enjoyed each and every one of the specialty shops and our luncheon at Apple Annie's!! We appreciate you!!

ALUMNI WE HAVE RECENTLY HEARD FROM

TOM McLAUGHLIN '60 - (Margaret)

Manager,

United Environmental Services, Inc., Baytown, Texas Graduate Texas A&I University

ARTHUR HAGAN, JR. '57 - (Barbara)

Livestock Business, San Angelo

WILBER "Skeet" McNEIL '28

Retired, Insurance and Real Estate

ROBERT BLIEDEN '29 - (Gladys)

Retired

Graduate The University of Texas

ALVIN ELLINGTON, JR. '51 - (Julieta)

Neurosurgeon, San Antonio

CLAUDE BOLEN, JR. '44

Retired, Sales Manager, King Oil Tools, Humble

LARRY DICKSON '63

Investments and Real Estate

ROD BOANE '51 - (Elaine)

Geologist, Exxon Coal and Minerals, Houston Graduate Rice University

WYLIE EVANS '72 - (Casey)

Evans Realty, Galveston Graduate Southwest Texas State & Texas A&M University

JOSE GANZ '60 - (Ruth)

President, Cia Maderera, S.A. Torreon, Coahuila Graduate University of Pennsylvania

DARYL TANNER '73 - (Vicki)

ASK Computer Systems, Houston Graduate University of Houston

JOHNNY ISBELL '57 - (Jeanie)

President, Apache Oil Company, Pasadena Graduate University of Houston Mayor, City of Pasadena, 1981-1985

IIM BOGGS '56

National bank of Commerce, Memphis, Tennessee Graduate Memphis State University

ED WOODRIFF '61 - (Marianna)

Engineer with Boeing Aircraft, Seattle, Washington Graduate California Institute of Technology

MICHAEL BERGLUND '71 - (Patrice)

Technician, Anheuser Busch, Fort Collins, Colorado

JOHN KEIL '47 - (Martha)

President, Curran-Keil, Inc. (oil), Abilene Graduate Mid-Western State University



EDWARD L. GUESS Class of 1930

BERT FLYCHT Class of 1952

DAVID NOBLES Class of 1938

WILL D. PEAVY Class of 1945

MARSHALL SHEPPARD, JR. Class of 1946

ALUMNI BRIEFS

MARVIN A. CURRIE '67, is a Detective Police Officer in the Baytown Police Department, Baytown. He and Dianne have four children.

<u>HENRY DAUGHTRY</u> '58, owns and operates Daughtry Properties-real estate, investments, etc. He and Kaye live in San Antonio.

JAMES HALE '62, is a Police Officer in Oklahoma City. He and Marilyn have 5 children. He is the oldest graduate of the Oklahoma City Police Academy; also a graduate of the U.S. Central Police Institute.

ALMOST LIKE TWINS

WILLIAM WALKER and BYRON McKINNON Class of 1973

Both <u>WILLIAM WALKER '73</u>, and <u>BYRON</u> McKINNON '73, are majors in the U.S. Army Reserve and have a lot in common.

Both were born on June 8, 1955.

Both graduated from Peacock at 17 years of age and in the same class of 1973.

They also were teammates on the football,

basketball and drill teams at Peacock.

Both were commissioned 2nd Lieutenants in the Army Reserve upon graduation from college, Walker from Carleton State University; McKinnon from Texas A&I University.

Both served on active duty for several years

and met again at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Both are married, both have two children, and both live in Oklahoma.

Both were called to active duty and sent to Fort Irwin, California, during Desert Storm to help train the 48th Brigade as they prepared but never deployed to the Gulf.

PEACOCK WALLOPS TMI 60-7

Extract from San Antonio Express Newspaper Sports Section reprinted in 1955 Yearbook:

"Alert Kaydets Turn Fumbles Into Victory"

"Peacock Academy smothered TMI in their annual tilt at Edison Field Friday night 60-7. Ten plays after the Kaydets got their hands on the ball in the first period Fred Harvey fired a pass to Leonard Cole from the TMI 30-yard line, and Joe Spalding barreled around right end for the conversion.

That was all the scoring in the first

quarter, but the superior Peacock line consistently battered the Panthers, and in the second period it was a much different story.

Kaydet Jim Boggs recovered a Panther fumble on the TMI 36-yard line, and three plays deep in the quarter George Hartman went over from left end. Fred Harvey bored through the line for the conversion.

On the first TMI play following the kickoff, TMI fumbled and Jim Boggs again recovered, this time on the Panther 30. Carlos DeCastro trotted over two plays later from the 26.

TMI held the ball only two plays, then again fumbled, and Peacock recovered on the Panther 11-yard stripe. Another three plays and Hartman went through the middle for six more points.

The next time they had the ball the Kaydets moved 46 yards in 6 plays, and a pass from Fred Rigby on the 4 stripe to Spalding standing in the end zone climaxed the push. Albert Gutierrez converted through the middle. The half-time score stood 33-0.

In the third period, Harvey connected to Billy Hindt from the nine to end a six scrimmage drive from the 43. The same combination clicked for the conversion.

Again in the same quarter, Harvey returned the ball 36 yards to the TMI 33, and in five more plays the Kaydets had again tallied, this time on a Cole run around right end. Harvey pitched to Alan Lawler for the extra point.

Lawler intercepted a pass in the fourth quarter and Gutierrez went over in three more plays from the 5. Harvey connected to Jorge Miguel from the 9-yard line for the last tally, and Jerry Calloway converted.

In the last minute of the game the Panthers made a touchdown and the game ended 60-7 in favor of Peacock, a game long to be remembered by the Kaydets"

HENRY CULLINS, CLASS OF '50

HENRY CULLINS, JR. '50, is a Geologist with a Master's Degree from Oklahoma University. He is president of Christeve Oil Company, Inc. He and his wife, Beverly, have two children, Steve and Chris.

During the period 1955-58 he served as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force, participating in Operation "Hotrock", retraining German Air Force pilots in Bavaria. He is the author of several books and articles related to geology. His hobbies are tennis, fishing and bird hunting.

DR. PHILIP DUNLAP, CLASS OF '57

DR. PHILIP DUNLAP '57, distinguished Physician and Surgeon, holds degrees from Brandeis University, Harvard School of Public Health, Kirksville College, and Purdue University. He is at present on the Staff of University College, London, England. He is an Instrument Rated Private Pilot, and his hobbies are Alpine skiing, scuba diving and underwater photography.

RAY LEAL, CLASS OF '64 PROMINENT EDUCATOR

RAYMOND LEAL, JR., Ph. D., CLASS OF '64, is a professor of Political Science at the University of Texas at San Antonio. He is also Secretary-Treasurer of Gambitta Research Associates. Ray earned his Bachelor's Degree from the University of Texas at Austin; his Master's degree from the University of Arkansas; and his Ph. D. from Indiana University.

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SENIOR RINGS NOW AVAILABLE THANKS TO JACK WHITTIKER



Have you lost your senior ring and often thought a replacement would not be possible? JACK WHITTIKER '63 has solved the problem. High quality replacement rings are now available through Jack's jewelry manufacturing company *Circle JW Products - Prairie Fire*. These rings are available in 14ct. and 10ct. gold. Other metals can be used upon request. The style of senior ring will be the same as those worn in the late 1950's and 1960's. Contact Jack directly at 1-800-331-8206.

MONKEY DRILL TEAM FEATURED IN BATTLE OF FLOWERS PARADE

During Fiesta Week in 1955, the Monkey Drill Team appeared in the famous Battle of Flowers Parade wearing their colorful green and white jackets and white trousers, and standing on the backs of their horses.

CHARLES DeLEON '56 was Team Captain; RENE GONZALEZ '57 was Co-Captain. Other members were Philip Dunlap, Skippy Cade, Robert Gutierrez, Darwin Harris, Rudy Timpte, John Longbotham, and Bobby Engle.