



Kadet Newsletter

Peacock Military Academy

Alumni Association

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Kadets,

What a fantastic Board of Directors' meeting in August! We had to bring in extra chairs just for directors - then four more for visitors! It was gratifying to see the support, we of course had a few that couldn't make it for various reasons, and we understood. We covered a lot of business, adopted a few things, made a few changes, and left with a few new things to do. Our next reunion is to be October 1996, and our February 1996 Directors' meeting will tell us the rest of the story (where, what, how, etc.). We are also going to try and make it less expensive with more options of where to spend the nights. Let's see what our committee comes up with.

Thanks to Ken Barnes '45 we are going to present a PMA medal to the outstanding Junior in 1996 at San Marcos Baptist Academy. We are also in the process of contacting TMI to see if the same presentation can be made at graduation. We are presently presenting our PMA medal to the outstanding seventh grade ("junior") student at San Antonio Academy (they only go through the 8th grade). Three medals each graduation is quite an accomplishment - I'm very proud of our Alumni!

We are also in the process of locating a supplier for gray blazers for our Alumni. So far we are able to acquire a "PMA" medal and a "Zouave" medal for wear on our blazers. We will try to locate others.

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held at the Wesley Peacock House on August 5, 1995. Eighteen of the twenty five directors were present.

Secretary Jerry Houston read the minutes of the last Board meeting held February 11, 1995. The minutes were approved without change.

Treasurer Ed Sebera presented the financial report for the Alumni Association. The Treasurer's report was approved as submitted.

Colonel Don reported on the current financial condition of "Peacock Academy Records" and expressed his gratitude for the strong support shown by the Alumni Association towards "PAR".

Wayne Spivey and Rudy Johnson reported success at finding the old medal maker who still had his original molds used in making Peacock medals. A silver medal was decided upon with 15 medals to be ordered.

Bill Morse reported on a software package to assist in locating former Kadets. Leon Whitfield volunteered to try it out and report results at the next meeting.

Ed Ford reported prices on available memorial bricks for the senior terrace. The Board of Directors are to submit additional ideas for the senior terrace to the committee members Frank VanDelden, Kirk Johnson, Ed Ford or Wayne Spivey.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (Concluded)

For all of you that couldn't attend the "big" reunion last year, the video is neat! I'd suggest you look into our "P.X." and consider those things that are available.

I also want to welcome all our new members, I hope you can attend our next reunion - we've missed you. God bless and take care of you all...

Rudy Johnson '53

PMA TELEPHONE NUMBERS

WHILE LOOKING THROUGH A 1944 SAN ANTONIO TELEPHONE DIRECTORY I LOOKED UNDER THE LISTING "SCHOOLS" IN THE YELLOW PAGES. HERE ARE SOME OLD PHONE NUMBERS THAT MAY BRING BACK A MEMORY OR TWO.

PEACOCK MILITARY ACADEMY
PERSHING 5123

BIRKHEAD HALL
PARKVIEW 2-0307

JOHNSTON HALL
PARKVIEW 2-0147

Mc KINNON HALL
PARKVIEW 2-0019

SENIOR TERRACE

At the recent Board of Directors' meeting the topic of a permanent structure being established on the Senior Terrace to honor all PMA Kadets. The Board would like to hear from you the Alumni, with your ideas on establishing a remembrance. Send your thoughts to any Board member so that we can best reflect the wishes of the Alumni.

BOARD MINUTES (Concluded)

The Board agreed that a school reunion every two years was just about right. Proposed date for the next reunion will be October 4-6, 1996.

The next regular Board meeting will be held on Saturday, February 10, 1996, at the Wesley Peacock House.

PARADE REST BOOK I

Parade Rest Book I is in very short supply with less than twenty copies remaining. If you still want your copy to go along with Book II you must order now. The price is \$20.00 which includes shipping and postage.

A HEARTFELT THANKS TO **LYNN POWELL**

Lynn, after 12 years of service to the Alumni Association, has tendered his resignation. Lynn states, "I have substantially fulfilled all my personal goals and aspirations for this organization." Lynn says, "...the highlight was the Centennial Celebration Dress Ball at the 1994 Reunion." Lynn further reports, "It is time for me, however, to move on to other pursuits."

Lynn's guidance and leadership will truly be missed by this organization. We salute one of Peacock's finest Kadets!

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Help the Alumni Association keep our mailing list current. When your address changes please notify us at:

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THANKS FROM MEDAL WINNER

GEORGE SPENCER, III, winner of the Peacock Cadet Medal awarded each year to an outstanding cadet at San Antonio Academy, writes:

"I was greatly honored to receive this year's Peacock Cadet Medal and want to thank you for giving this medal each year.

As you probably know, this medal is considered to be very special by everyone at my school."

PARADE REST IN SAN ANTONIO LIBRARY

Recently we gave hardback copies of Parade Rest to the San Antonio Library. They wrote us as follows: "Thank you very much for the two volumes of Parade Rest.

Peacock Military Academy was an important part of San Antonio's history for many years, and it is necessary and fitting that we make this information available to our patrons. The books will be added to our Reference Texana Collection."

NEW ADDITIONS TO PEACOCK HOUSE

New additions now displayed in the Peacock House include a very handsome antique china cabinet purchased by The Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary. In it are displayed several interesting items from the collection of Peacock artifacts given to the House by the late Mrs. Wesley Peacock, Jr.

Other new additions are two large oil paintings of Colonel Wesley Peacock, Jr. and Colonel Donald Peacock, now displayed on the wall in the Peacock Family Room.

FIFTY YEARS LATER

Special guests at the Director's meeting in the Peacock House on August 5th were two members of the Class of 1945 who graduated 50 years ago.

KENNETH BARNES of Austin was 1st Lieutenant and Adjutant during his senior year and GENE POTTER of San Antonio was Captain and Battalion Commander. Both played varsity football and both lettered in other sports.

FRANK SALIDO of Laredo, who also graduated 50 years ago, planned to be present but had to cancel at the last minute. He is a member of the Board of Directors. Frank spent 6 years at Peacock and he too lettered in varsity football and other sports. He was a Cadet Captain and Captain of the Zouaves.

FORTY YEARS LATER

LARRY HARRIS, Class of 1955, came all the way from Yakima, Washington, to visit the Wesley Peacock House and attend the Director's meeting. He spent 3 years at Peacock and graduated as a Lieutenant.

WORTH MC DONALD, another graduate of 40 years ago was a special guest at the Director's meeting.

NEW LIFE MEMBER

The newest Life Member of the Alumni Association is **ROBERT E. RAY**, Class of 1948. Bob lives in Tehuacana, Texas, and is active with the Limestone County Veterans Service Operations. Kadets who would like to write to Bob can do so at P. O. Box 197, Tehuacana, Texas 76686.

Thanks,

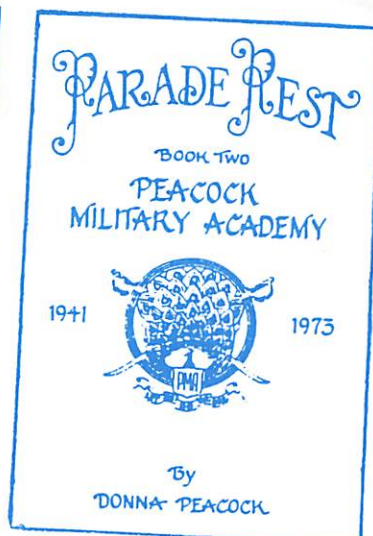
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ROBERT "BOB" HENDERSON '59

HOMER "BILL" WRIGHT '51

JOHN S. CHAMBERS '40



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