



Kadet Newsletter

Peacock Military Academy

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Dear Peacock Brothers,

On the 7th of April the Board of Directors met for our spring meeting. We had a good member attendance. Like always I would like to thank each and every one for their sacrifice and support of our Peacock Alumni Association. With your help and support we continue to keep the legacy of Peacock alive and we will keep it going into the future long after we are gone.

Scholarship: The scholarship fund has reached 260K and the matching funds by our anonymous donor terminated in April. This does not mean that you cannot continue your contributions to the scholarship. I encourage everyone to continue sending in your donations. The board discussed starting scholarship distributions next year. There are still some details to be addressed before we present the first scholarship. Donna Peacock's experience and knowledge in the education field has greatly enhanced the process for choosing recipients for the Peacock Scholarship. Just a reminder, donations to the Scholarship fund are tax exempt.

Committees: Once again thanks to all the committees for the excellent job they continue doing for the Association. All committee heads gave us an update on their respective committee. Mike Vlieger continues to work

with the Salvation Army on the upkeep of the Peacock House. Butch Daughtry gave us a report on the scholarship committee. Marty Cavanaugh submitted the treasurer report with details of the Alumni finances. Bruce Williams continues his job with the membership committee and finding Kadets. David Lewis and Raul Gonzalez continue working on our 2018 Reunion. Bob Birkenmeier continues his work as our Web Master. If you need a password please contact him at Birk@pmaalumni.org and he will issue you one.

Note: Special thanks are in order to Butch Good class of 67. He has designed a new Peacock Medal which will be brought before the Board of Directors for review and approval. If approved it will replace the old medal and will be awarded in the future.

Reunion 2018: All plans for our 2018 Reunion have been finalized. Our reunion will take place on October 5, 6, and 7, 2018.

Hotel: Wyndham San Antonio Riverwalk, 111 E. Pecan St. San Antonio, Texas 78205.

Reservations: 1-866-764-8536 or 210-354-2800 ask for the Peacock Military Academy Reunion rate. **(Dead line for making reservations is 9-15-18, (Sep 15, 2018).)**

It is not too early to start contacting your

fellow classmates and reminding them of our upcoming reunion. Our last reunion was a great success and I am hoping this one will be just as great as the last one. With your help and assistance in contacting your fellow Kadets, it should be even better. The class of 68 will be celebrating its 50th reunion. Let us show up in good numbers!

We will be expecting all brother Kadets at our 2018 reunion. It will be a time to catch up with old friends, meet new ones, have fun, enjoy good stories and start new friendships. On Sunday Oct 7th we will again meet at the Wesley Peacock House for coffee and donuts. We will also celebrate our traditional Gray Line Ceremony on the Senior Terrace. After that it will be time to say our good byes until our next time.

Thank you all for the support you have given me. God Bless.

Raul Gonzalez
Class of 68
PMA Alumni Association President



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Welcome New Life Members!!!

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Peacock Military Academy Memorial Scholarship Fund



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All contributions are tax deductible. You may send your donation along with your annual dues.

PMA Memorial Scholarship Honor Roll*

Ben E. Sutton '42	Bernie L. Young '57
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Class of '53 Deceased:

Otho Bolton, Robert Bleuler, Richard Bradford, Jimmy Chamness, Charles Cole, Jack Gilpin, Robert Haley, Colon Loft, Leonard Millstead, Wyatt Myers, George Ochoa, Delbert Robertson, William Whitfield.

NEW MEMBERS

The Peacock Family	William D. Morse Jr. '56
Joshua A. Tilton '52	Arthur Anthony Wolf

MOVING???

If you are moving, please let the Alumni Association have your new information: address, telephone numbers, etc.

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2018 Dues

The Alumni Association is collecting dues for 2018 and a Dues Form is included with this Newsletter. The Dues Form may also be used to make a contribution to the Scholarship Fund. If you have already paid your dues, please disregard the reminder!

THANKS!



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Totes	\$15.00
Pennants	\$8.00
Decals	\$3.00
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PEACOCK REUNION INFORMATION

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When: October 5, 6, and 7 2018

Reservations: Call 1-866-764-8536 or 210-354-2800. Ask for the Peacock Military Academy Reunion rate. Deadline for making reservations at the Wyndham is September 15, 2018.

Attire for Dinners: Business casual.

Friday Afternoon October 5: We will open the Don Yust Hospitality Suite (Executive Salon 5) at 3:00 p.m. for greetings, reunion registration confirmations, identification tags, etc.

Friday Evening October 5: Kadets and guests will gather in the San Antonio Ballroom. Social hour (cash bar) will be from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. At 7:00 p.m. we will have a seated buffet dinner. We will have a brief program after dinner. Later, the Hospitality Suite will re-open.

Saturday Morning October 6: Board of Directors Meeting at 9:00 a.m. (open to all). General Assembly Meeting for all Kadets at 10:30 a.m. The new Board of Directors for next two years will be elected. Both meetings will be held in the San Antonio Ballroom.

Saturday Afternoon October 6: Open for visiting or touring San Antonio.

Saturday Evening October 6: Social hour (Cash bar) in the San Antonio Ballroom from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. followed by a seated dinner. Program includes posting of the colors, guest speaker, and music entertainment.



Sunday Morning October 7: The Wesley Peacock House will be open at 10:00 a.m. for Kadets to visit. Continental breakfast (coffee, pastries) will be served. At 11:30 a.m. Kadets will form our traditional Gray Line on the Senior Terrace. The names of the Kadets that have passed since the last reunion will be called. Ceremony includes rider-less horse and will serve as farewell to the 2018 Reunion.

Kadet News

Conrad Banspach Jr. '37 originally from San Antonio, is well and still active in his family engineering firm in St. Petersburg, Florida. He has not lost his sense of humor. When we called and told him we were from the Peacock Military Academy, he immediately said "What tha hell did I do now? Conrad distinguished himself during WWII in flight combat and instruction. He trained on radar both crews that dropped bombs on Japan in 1945.

Jim Carey '51 lives in Donna, TX (moved from Port Isabel). He graduated from Texas A&M in 1956 and later completed a Master's Degree at Texas Tech Air Force ROTC. He has great stories about Peacock, including the one about a brawl in a hamburger joint in New Braunfels after a football camp. It started when an employee of the establishment stated that "they did not serve Mexicans". Some of the members of the Peacock team did include Latin-Americans, including my Costa Rican father Arthur Wolf '51.

Alvin Burden M.D. '51 from San Antonio sent a message

stating: "Peacock had a profound impact on my life, for which I'll always be forever grateful. My wife and I celebrated our 61st wedding anniversary this year. I have been retired since 1998. We took our three daughters to watch the dress parades from 1966 to 1973. Although I was a day student the five years I was at Peacock, the bond has remained for life".

Jerry Houston '52 lives in Fort Worth, Texas. He was Battalion Commander, Valedictorian, and captain of the football team. He later played under Bear Bryant at Texas A&M where he graduated. He had a distinguished Navy career first as a fighter pilot accumulating 6000 hours, commanding two fighter squadrons and later commanding a ship. He served several tours in Vietnam. He also served in Naples, London, and as U.S. Naval Attaché to the American Embassy in Buenos Aires, Argentina before retiring.

Johnny Gabriel '54 heads Gabriel Industries in San Antonio, TX. He has excelled in his civic work for the community. He was crowned Rey Feo in 1991 for the 100th Celebration of Fiesta San

THE PEACOCK REUNION OCTOBER 2018

Once again my dear Peacock Brothers, it is time for another Peacock Reunion. This is the one you have been meaning to attend for some years and have not made it. You have committed in your mind to come; so make it happen this time! And for all who attended the last one, get your bags ready and come on down to San Antonio to see all the old faces (literally) once more.

Here is a touching testimony from a Peacock Kadet who decided to attend the Reunion last time:

"I left Texas decades ago, arrived in California, I liked what I saw... got a job right away doing structural drafting with Bechtel Mining & Metals. Learned to fly... ski...stayed ever since...started a family here.

Years went by and I started getting flyers about a Peacock reunion... oh sure...didn't think much about it..."I'm grown up now". More years went by and another flyer and newsletter...and a picture of Phil Crawshaw...holly sh*#...and Major Garcia...Ben Bishop... Ronnie Swain...really hooked me.

I planned and positioned myself so when the reunion came around I went. Downtown San Antonio was nicely evolved...there was the river restaurants...some historical buildings...and the Alamo.

Meeting Peacock Kadets, old and new friends, was wonderful. Friday and Saturday events were great.



On Sunday of the weekend I arrived at the Peacock Headquarters early...went into Don's office and stood where I stood many a scary day...I truly told Col. Don that he scared me and I wanted to be done with that...I thanked him silently for being a father I needed... people began to assemble in the office where Wesley and the lady admin sat. When they filtered in Don's office, I felt they didn't have the right to be there. Even though NO ONE ever wanted to be... before the man...in Col. Don's office...you had to earn the right to be there.

An hour later all the surviving Kadets assembled on the Senior Terrace for a ceremony. People walking on MY Senior Terrace...my feelings surprised me. We all lined up on the walk from the street to the Sally Port...where the coke machine and armory was...right next to Birkhead Hall...outside the window of my first room...1959. The ceremony was extremely touching to say the least.

I came back to my three sons and there is no way to tell the experience of why anyone would go to a 52nd high school reunion. And we do every two years. There are Kadets that always intend to come... some do and some don't...Bill Hyslop was such a surprise...all of us had so much to catch up on.

I guess I've rambled on...I was excited to read Herb Harris' article in the last Kadet Newsletter about his Year Book event with Don. Colonel Donald was promoted to a General...and he was casual about it...we were not.

Respectfully,
Jonathan Hodell '64

PEACOCK MEDAL RECIPIENTS FOR 2018

Every year the Peacock Military Academy Alumni Association presents medals to the outstanding cadet of several academies. A citation is presented to each medal recipient congratulating them on their scholastic, character, leadership and aptitude achievements. We also mention that these are the traits that personify the more than 15,000 young men who formed the ranks of the Corps of Cadets of Peacock Military Academy between 1894 and 1973. It is also stated in the citation that the purpose of making this award is to honor outstanding students in their schools and, in a symbolic way, to continue the proud traditions of Peacock Military Academy.

Recipients for 2018 Peacock Medals were:

San Marcos Academy – Cadet Ashton Blackstone
Presented by David Lewis '70

Marine Military Academy – Cadet Trevor Roberts
Presented by Earl Adams '62

San Antonio Academy – Cadet Eshanth Beeram
Presented by Raul Gonzalez '68

Texas Military Institute - Cadet Eddie Garcia
Presented by James Hyslop '62



Cadet Trevor Roberts from Alaska, outstanding cadet at the Marine Academy for 2017-2018. He will be Battalion Commander for 2018-2019. His future plans: Annapolis, later Marine Corps (he wants to be a Marine Officer like his father). Then, Special Forces.