

SPECTRE BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, 04 April, 2009, 1842 CST



Pat Carpenter, President
Dick Vancil, Vice President, teleconference
Bill Patterson, Treasurer
P.J. Cook, teleconference
Kim Coryat, teleconference
Norm Evans
Barry Gossman
Larry Hickey
Mark Johnson
Chuck Kaczmarczyk, teleconference
MarthaAnn Kaczmarczyk, Recorder, teleconference
Mike Skerrett, teleconference
Dwight Howard, Lifetime Member, Guest of Dick Vancil via teleconference

CALL TO ORDER

President Pat Carpenter called the meeting to order with the above-listed Board Members and one guest present, either in person or via teleconference.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Following is the Treasurer's Report as of 06 April 2009:

\$ 7,155.26 – Checking Account
5,632.87 – Scholarship Fund
1,150.22 – Special Operating Fund
10,272.55 – Gunner Jack CD at Regions Bank
25,269.45 – The Life Membership Fund CD #1
6,000.00 – The Life Membership Fund CD #2

\$55,480.35 – TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE

As of yet, we have not received anything from the Accountant concerning our 2008 Federal Income Taxes.

REUNION 2009 INFO

Pat has signed the agreement for the Four Points by Sheraton to hold this year's reunion on 8 – 11 October. The Four Points is offering us King Rooms for \$85 per night, Courtyard Rooms for \$95 per night, Beach-view Rooms for \$125 per night, and Suites for \$150 per night. They have available all of the meeting rooms that we have used in the past for our meals, business meeting, banquet, country store, and hospitality "Hootch". They also supplied us with seventeen (17) pages of menus for

us to choose from. These have been e-mailed to all Board Members, and we are to review the menus ASAP and notify Pat and Norm via email as to what our recommendation is.

The Thursday evening "Ice Breaker" will be held at the VFW on Coral Avenue in Fort Walton Beach. This year we will be charging a nominal fee for this event. Norm suggested we have a fish fry. Larry Hickey and Norm Evans are in charge of Thursday evening, and they will report additional information at the next Board Meeting.

Pat asked all Board Members to put together a budget for the items we will need at this year's reunion and be ready to discuss it at next month's meeting.

Pat announced that he spoke with LTC Brenda Cartier, Commander of the 4th SOS, about being our guest speaker at this year's reunion. She is scheduled to be away from Hurlburt Field at that time, and will not be available to speak at our banquet. Pat and Norm will continue to search for someone locally to serve as our speaker or perhaps even have two (2) speakers this year.

REUNION 2010 INFO

The ballot to determine the location of our 2010 off-site reunion has been counted, and the results are as follows:

- 67 – Biloxi, MS
- 65 – Las Vegas, NV
- 61 – Branson, MO

Pat was in Biloxi last week, and made contact with a couple of hotels and asked them to work up a proposal for rooms, meals, etc.

QUARTERMASTER'S REPORT

Pat reported that the last order of Zoomin' and Boomin' tee shirts has arrived. Also he was able to get a new Money Clip, and it is up for sale on the web store. He cannot find anyone to make belts at a reasonable price.

Norm has a new tee shirt that he would like us to consider. He will make a photograph of it and e-mail it to each of the Board Members.

Orders are being received daily from Spectre members who are in good standing for the one-of-a-kind, commemorative model 1911 - .45 caliber pistol being made by Kimber Firearms at a cost of \$1,040.00 each. The slide and hand grips will be engraved with gunship insignias and squadron designations. Spectre members can order the handgrips laser engraved with the Spectre emblem. Only 105 of these one-of-a-kind items will be made available. If you would like to order one, be certain

that your dues are paid and don't delay in getting your order in to Deon McGowan. All information is available on the Spectre web site.

Chuck suggested that the Association purchase a Kimber Gunship Commemorative pistol for \$1,040.00 and raffle it off to make some additional revenue for the Association Scholarship Fund. Chuck feels that many members may not be able to purchase a pistol for themselves due to the cost but may buy a raffle ticket for one. He said that the following rules should apply. 1) Offer the pistol as a raffle item to only Spectre Members who are in good standing (current on their dues). 2) Charge a donation of \$25.00 per ticket and limit the number of tickets to 82 only. Members may purchase as many tickets as they desire. 3) Begin selling tickets immediately, and draw the winning ticket at the Saturday night banquet in October. The gross sales would be \$2,050.00 minus the cost of the pistol \$1,040.00 ... net profit to the Association Scholarship Fund would be \$1,010.00. The Winner is responsible for the \$20.00 transfer fee and shipping to an FFL dealer in their area if they do not live in the FWB area or cannot travel there. By limiting the raffle tickets to only 82, each person who purchases a ticket would have a much better chance of winning the pistol as opposed to selling unlimited tickets. Chuck also said that if we do not sell 82 tickets, he will purchase the gun from the Association so that we do not lose money on this venture. Dick Vancil moved that we purchase the pistol according to Chuck's recommendations. Larry Hickey seconded the motion. Motion carried. Pat asked P.J. if he can put a special Scholarship Fund Donation button on the web site for the sale of the \$25.00 tickets for this commemorative pistol. P.J. will work on this.

Patriot Arms in Fort Walton Beach is the only Kimber dealer in the area. They are charging \$70 for each pistol that they *ship* to Spectre members who buy one. Chuck voiced that this seems to be a huge amount as most gun dealers charge about half of that amount. Members who are Florida residents and pick-up their pistol in person are being charged only a transfer fee.

NEW BUSINESS

Rex Joiner, who became a Life Member in February, telephoned Pat last week to inform him that he has been to see his attorney and is bequeathing \$50,000.00 to the Spectre Association in his will. This is certainly a most generous act. Perhaps others within our Association will consider making a bequest.

Pat questioned our charging sales tax on shipping merchandise within the state of Florida. MarthaAnn reminded everyone that our former Treasurer, Andy DeMeyer, addressed this situation with the State of FL sales tax division; and he was told that the proper way to charge and figure sales tax is to total the costs of your merchandise plus the cost of shipping the order and then add your state sales tax to that total. Pat said that he will check further into this situation.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, it was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 1925L.

Respectfully submitted,

MarthaAnn Kaczmarczyk, Recorder

ADDENDUM

Thursday, 9 April 2009 – via email

Dick Vancil moved that the Board of Directors purchase the display case for the commemorative pistol for a cost of \$130.00 and to limit the number of tickets to be sold at \$25.00 each to 85. Chuck Kaczmarczyk seconded the motion. President Pat e-mailed this motion and second to all Board Members with a request that they respond within 48 hours.

Tuesday, 14 April 2009, 1200L – via email

As of this date and time, the following Board Members have responded to the above-stated motion and voted as follows:

Pat Carpenter, President	Yea
Dick Vancil, Vice President	Yea
Roger Betterelli	Yea
Kim Coryat	Yea
Norm Evans	Yea
Larry Hickey	Yea
Chuck Kaczmarczyk	Yea

Our By-Laws sets a quorum at six (6). Therefore, the motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

MarthaAnn Kaczmarczyk, Recorder