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From the President's Keyboard

Harry C. Silvis '65
FMSA PRESIDENT

"2011 ANNUAL MEETING"

As we have done in the past we all gathered at **The Perfect Spot** for lunch before we adjourned to Steve Nash's hanger for the annual meeting on October 22, 2011. A FMS flag is now displayed proudly on the wall. Miss Earp, as always, joined us but left early for another engagement. The attendance was one of the smallest we have ever had. That makes us wonder if our not sending out reminder post cards had this negative effect.

In my remarks I reminded the cadets that the Directory that has the FMSA members listed, is not to be shared with anyone not a member. Just having name, address, phone number are enough for someone to steal your identity. I referenced the example of how I was able to purchase information on the internet on the woman that killed our son, to assist us in finding out what assets she might have. We received enough information in four hours to have stolen her identity. We also need to identify the people, place & time in the many 1,000's of pictures we now have in our files.

I reminded everyone that (1) the annuals and pictures are property of FMSA and should not be used without written permission, (2) the logos and pictures sold by Kennesaw Printing are their property and are not to be used in any form without permission, and (3) that Kennesaw Printing was appointed as the exclusive vendor of FMSA. at the first FMSA annual meeting.

Elsewhere you will find the results of the audited books for FMSA for the last year. The short version is, we took in and spent within about \$20. for the year. We have enough on-hand for expenses and a nest egg for the next reunion in July 2013. The report was accepted by the members present.

You will also find again the accounting for the Reunion 2011. Please note that a good portion of the costs are paid by donations, thus keeping the registration costs down.

Lastly. elsewhere you will find the budget that was approved at the annual meeting to carry us to the next reunion in 2013. The board has certain fixed costs that reoccur on a yearly basis. The only way of cutting the costs are to cut out one of the newsletters in a non reunion year. This reduces the cost by operations by \$442.50. The board figured that since the newsletters have shrunk to 6 pages, as there have been few articles submitted recently, that this would be a prudent way to conserve the group's resources. There was a suggestion from the floor to ask for donations for the 4th newsletter. We will have it, if we receive the donations.

Zora Mae, Leslie and I spent a week in Florida, as guests of Max & Sue, and were able to look some more for our winter/retirement home. We found a craftsman home in East Palatka, that we loved the inside, but the work still needed to restore it was over and above what we were willing to do, at our age. We spent a day in Palm Coast looking at homes. Really liked the planned community and that we had city water/sewage and that the lots were all a reasonable size. We liked being close to shopping, Daytona Beach, St. Augustine, as well as Gainesville. We did not get the first house we contracted for, but it is a short sale and only 40% of them close. We will continue to contract on homes until we get one.

THE FMSA OFFICIAL WEBSITE:
www.fms-assn.org

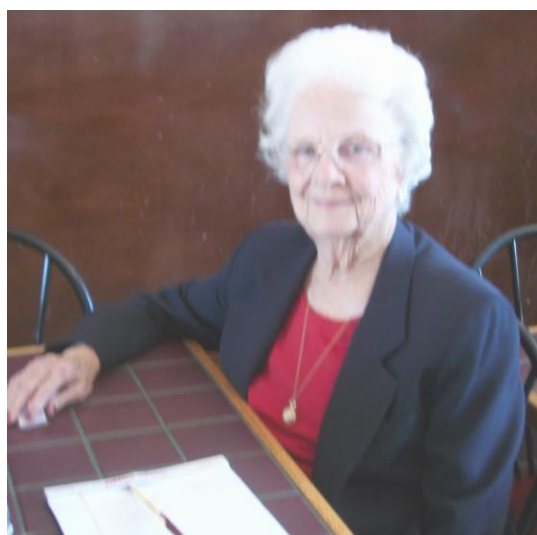
MAILING ADDRESS: FMSA c/o Dr. Max Elliott
P.O. Box 5 Pierson, FL 32180

ANNUAL MEETING 2011

As mentioned above, fourteen cadets and six guests, convened on Saturday, October 22nd. Ms. Earp made the trip from Ocala to join us, as she has for every annual meeting to date. This year the class with the highest number in attendance was '66, with '59 a very close 2nd. '58, '60 and '65 also made a good showing. There seems to be a very loyal core of cadets that make it to this annual gathering.



Ms. Earp was loyal as always. She has not missed an annual meeting.



It will be important to have a good turn out for next year's meeting, as decisions will be made then for the 2013 Reunion. The meeting date will be announced early enough for all to reserve the date. Hope to see you there.

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT FMSA

10/23/2010 – 10/22/2011

Beginning Balance - 10/23/2010 - \$ 6865.72

INCOME -

Reunion registrations, donations, DVDs, etc -

TOTAL INCOME - \$11635.00

EXPENSES -

10/25 - Annual Meeting expenses	\$129.37
10/28 - Postage – books	\$ 19.60
11/26 - Postage – newsletter	\$286.00
11/26 - Postage – books	\$ 24.50
11/27 - Printing – newsletter	\$150.00
3/9 - WVHS patron	\$150.00
3/9 - Dept. of State – Corp fee	\$ 61.25
3/15 - Postage – newsletters	\$286.00
3/16 - Printing – newsletters	\$150.00
5/10 - Printing - newsletters	\$150.00
5/10 - Postage – newsletters	\$286.00
5/18 - Postage	\$ 13.75
6/30 - Playing cards	\$440.00
6/27 - Printing – newsletters	\$150.00
7/1 - Postage – newsletters	\$286.00
7/9 - Printing – Directories	\$375.00
7/11 - Goldrush deposits	\$600.00
7/18 - Coosies	\$237.00
7/18 - Reunion expenses	\$223.60
7/27 - Ladies' Coffee & Hospitality	\$ 39.00
7/27 - Donors' Gifts	\$ 37.23
7/28 - DJ & DVDs	\$1717.50
7/30 - Diana Ortiz video	\$100.00
7/31 - Holiday Inn Express	\$3935.90
8/1 - Food – Hospitality	\$293.86
8/4 - HIE – deposit for 2013	\$500.00
8/12 - Goldrush DVDs	\$426.00
8/14 - Computer Ink	\$ 53.97
8/17 - Postage – Newsletter	\$286.00
8/18 - Printing – newsletters	\$150.00
9/2 - Postage – DVDs	\$144.66
10/11 - Postage	\$ 1.71

TOTAL EXPENSES **\$11713.90**

Total income less total expenses = (-\$78.90) for the year.

For comparison - (Last year's figures – (-\$133.40) for the year)

TOTAL ASSETS – 10/22/2011

Cash/Bank Account BB&T - \$6886.82

For comparison – last year's figures \$6865.72, a difference of \$21.11 better this year.

Sue Elliott, Treasurer.

FMSA General Operating Budget
2011-2012)

Fixed Expenses – (annual)

State of FL Annual Corporation Report	\$61.25
Newsletters @ \$150 printing - 3 per year	\$450.00
Newsletters @ \$292.50 postage – 3 per year	\$877.50
Web Hosting - 1 year	\$99.00
West Volusia Historical Society Patron 1 year – (Museum room)	150.00
Postage	\$100.00
<u>TOTAL of FIXED EXPENSES -</u>	<u>\$1737.75</u>
	<u>per year</u>

With the money we presently have on hand, we have enough to almost fund four years of operation (with NO income or any expenses) with just the fixed expenses. IF we cut to just three newsletters per year in NON-reunion years, we can stretch our years of operation. Basically, we need to keep a “nest-egg” to draw upon in emergencies and to keep the Association solvent and functioning. (We did not really build any “overage” from this year’s reunion towards our operating fund, but we did break even.)

Prepared by – Sue Elliott, Sec/Treasurer
Approved – Annual Meeting 10/22/2011

Reunion Financial Report

Our projected budget for this year’s reunion turned out to be right on the mark. We had projected a registration of 60 cadets and 40 guests with a total income of \$5200. In actuality, we had 59 cadets and 45 guests and a total **income of \$5220.**

The projected expenses were also on the mark. Expenses included meals (Saturday lunch and dinner) for all registrants, a gift bag for each cadet, and materials for the Memorial Service and the Hospitality Room.

We received some very generous donations prior to the reunion to aid in presenting the reunion and to include both the DJ and the videographing of the weekend events. The videographer was funded by three major donations from Carl Schaefer, Richard Schaefer and Tommy Crutchfield.

Because of these cadets, we are able to video the class interviews and cover all weekend events and mail a copy to each cadet attendee. The remainder of the donations was used to cover the DJ and other expenses. The **remainder of the donations totaled \$1565.00.** The cost of the DJ was \$600, leaving us **a remainder of \$965.**

The total of the general expenses was: \$1482.88 plus the meals, deposit and room fee to HIE of \$4489, gave us a **total for expenses of \$5971.88.** Total income from **registrations was \$5220.** This money plus the remainder of the donations **= \$6185.**

Total income – total expenses (\$6185- \$5971.88) gives us a remainder of \$213.12.

The FMS Flag now flies proudly in Steve Nash’s hanger at the Deland Airport.





REUNION 2013 Error

Several of you caught the error in the last newsletter. The dates for the next reunion were wrong! Please correct your calendars...the correct dates are:

JULY 26-28, 2013

FMS Jacksonville Christmas Party

Dear Fellow Cadets and Friends,

It gives me great pleasure to let you know that the final date for our Christmas Party has been set for December 10, 2011. Party will start at 3:00 PM and go till all leave. The Fire Pit has been set up already, in case it is cold. Location will be at Rex and Rose Riley's home. They hosted our last get together and those that attended had plenty of food and fellowship. The pool will be open, cold weather or not. More plans will follow and what we will be doing. If you want to help out let us know.

I know some of you will not be able to make it do to the distance and some are overseas we understand and just want to keep you in the

loop. Whenever you can make it to one of the functions we would always welcome you. Hope you will make it to the Reunion in 2013.

RSVP no later than December 6, 2011. Look forward to seeing everyone.

Robert E. Mouro Sr.

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NOTE from the EDITOR –

Putting together an informational and interesting newsletter can be a difficult task when cadets do not provide me with photos and other information.

This is one reason we are planning to only do three newsletters during a non-reunion year. There just isn't enough news to fill our eight pages.

I am sure some of you get together with other cadets from time to time, so take some pictures and send me the news. It does not have to be a major event, just any gathering. Or have you received an award or honor? Share the news with us.

Meanwhile, best wishes for a wonderful Holiday Season, and may the New Year (2012) find you in good health.

SEASON'S GREETINGS !



INVENTORY CLEARANCE ODDS & ENDS

The holiday season is fast approaching and as we have done in the past, we are making several items of memorabilia available for purchase in time for holiday gifts. These remaining items are deeply discounted and make great gifts. All are in limited supply...

- #1 - 2012 FMS Calendars - \$ 2.00
- #2 - 2011 FMSA DIRECTORY - \$ 2.50
- #3 - 2 DVD set of 2011 Reunion - \$ 10.00
- #4 - "Founders Reunion" 2009 Reunion
2 DVD set \$ 10.00
- #5 - "Blast From the Past" DVD - \$ 10.00
Video clips, etc 1958-1963
- #6 - 50th Anniversary Reunion –
300+ photo slide show CD - \$ 10.00
- #7 - FMS History Book - \$ 20.00
- #8 - Set of 3 patches - \$ 5.00
- #9 - FMSA Playing Cards - \$ 5.00
- #10 - Set of 3 FMS Pins - \$ 10.00

Package Deals:

- #3, 4, 5, & 6 - \$30.00
- #3, 4, 5, 6, & 7 - \$45.00
- #1, 2, 3, & 8 - \$15.00
- #1, 2, & 3 - \$12.00
- #1 – 8 - \$55.00
- #1 - 9 - \$60.00

SUPPLIES LIMITED – ORDER early.

See gift order form attached.

FMSA GIFT ORDER FORM:

Send order to:

Name _____

Address _____

- _____ #1 - \$ 2.00
- _____ #2 - \$ 2.50
- _____ #3 - \$ 10.00
- _____ #4 - \$ 10.00
- _____ #5 - \$ 10.00
- _____ #6 - \$ 10.00
- _____ #7 - \$ 20.00
- _____ #8 - \$ 5.00
- _____ #9 -- \$ 5.00
- _____ #10 - \$ 10.00

PACKAGE DEALS -

- _____ #3, 4, 5, & 6 - \$ 30.00
- _____ #3, 4, 5, 6, & 7 - \$ 45.00
- _____ #1, 2, 3, & 8 - \$ 15.00
- _____ #1, 2, & 3 - \$ 12.00
- _____ #1– 8 - \$ 55.00
- _____ # 1 - 9 - \$ 60.00

Total amount Enclosed: _____

Send Check (Florida Military School Association)

To: FMSA
c/o Max & Sue Elliott
P.O. Box 5
Pierson, FL 32180

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Address Correction Requested

ANNOUNCING-



FMSA REUNION 2013 - JULY 26-28, 2013

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS – Daytona Beach, FL

Mark your calendars now so you can attend.