

PRESIDENTIAL NOTE RE: CREDIT CARD CHARGING CAPABILITY

Now that the hotel negotiations for our 2008 reunion are coming to an end, I will implement our charge card payment ability for web site purchases in the ship store. I want to add this so our members will be able to use their credit cards on our website or for hard copy form purchases of ship store products, membership dues, donations, and for future reunion costs such as registration and tour packages. A shopping cart will be added to our [Ship's Store](#) area of the web site. There, consumers will be able to purchase items directly from the store through a Secure Encrypted Link.

I hope that this charge payment option will result in more attendees at our reunions, and an increase in ship store purchases as well. Our costs for this option will be minimal, and the money from purchases will be deposited directly into our bank account with a monthly accounting for the Treasurer's convenience. We will add the approximate costs of charges by minimally increasing our shipping and handling costs to the consumers who wish to charge their purchases rather than write a check. I wish to thank the Board of Directors who have granted me their permission to go ahead with this project.

Sincerely, Mike A. Berezny

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(Posted 12/09/06)

**MINUTES OF THE THIRTEENTH BIENNIAL MEETING of the
USS SAINT PAUL Association. Inc. Held in Saint Louis,
Missouri on August 26, 2006**

- 1) The meeting was called to order by President John Hannabach at 9:00 A.M.
- 2) The invocation was delivered by Chaplain Kiffin Gilbert.
- 3) The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Paul Meeden.
- 4) The associations officers and staff were introduced by President John Hannabach.
- 5) It was announced that the minutes of the 2004 meeting had been approved by the review committee and had been published in the September 2004 issue of *The Roving Saint*.
- 6) The Treasurer's Report as of August 24, 2006 was presented by Dennis McFadden and was filed. The report is attached and becomes a part of these minutes.
- 7) Chan Zucker updated the membership on the relocation of our exhibit to the USS Massachusetts (BB-59) which is located at Fall River, MA.
- 8) George Takis reported that 2697 shipmates have joined the association.
- 9) Rose Marie Austin reported on the status of the Ship's Store. All is going well!
- 10) John Hannabach shared some reflections on his term as president. He thanked the members for their help and support!

The next order of business was the election of officers and directors. The following names were placed in nomination by the nominating committee:

President: Mike Berezny Vice-President: Gale Lee and
Hayden Wisdom Secretary: George Takis Treasurer:
Carl McFadden

Directors to serve until the year 2012:

Joe Cooper, Bernard Christner, Ray Gearharz, Mike Goracke and Bob Kolb.

A call for nominations from the floor was made for each office. No nominations from the floor were received. As a result, the Secretary was requested to enter one vote for each of candidates for the unopposed positions of President, Secretary and Treasurer. This was done.

Ballots for the office of Vice-President and for the Board of Directors were received and were counted by the tellers. As a result of the election, the following officers and directors will serve the association:

President: Michael Berezny -Vice-
President: Gale Lee Secretary: George
Takis Treasurer: Carl McFadden

Directors to serve until the year 2012:

Joe Cooper, Mike Goracke and Bob Kolb.

The next order of business was the selection of the site for the 2008 reunion. Mike Berezny shared a detailed overview of a number of sites. The sites were San Diego, San Francisco, Vancouver BC and Seattle. A vote for each city was held, and the city of San Diego was the overwhelming choice.

The next meeting is scheduled for the year 2008. The

meeting was adjourned at 10:30 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
George Takis, Secretary

(Posted 12/09/06)

Tentatively, the next USS SAINT PAULS ASSOCIATION Reunion will be held sometime between August and October in San Diego, California in 2008.

Click on the link below, or copy it and paste it on your browser to get to the savings calculator, and start saving for the trip to San Diego, California in 2008.

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