



AFIO NEW MEXICO CHAPTER

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NOVEMBER MEETING -- WED. 14 Nov. 2018

"The Egg & I" Restaurant -- 6909 Menaul Blvd (East of Louisiana)

1100: Sign-In and Order Lunch

1130: Pledge of Allegiance and Call to Order

SPEAKER: Mr. Robert Hull, Los Alamos Technical Associates Inc.

TOPIC: Updated talk on the Anthrax Letters, including his interview with Bruce Ivins before he was ultimately determined to be the culprit and committed suicide.

WELCOME...

We are moving ahead with reaching out to the community to generate interest in Intelligence and recruit new members. Our challenge to both old and new members is not to be shy about active participation in seeking out new members and promoting our organization to students, informing them about the opportunities in the Intelligence field.

To this end, we became sponsors of the Spies, Lies, & Nukes Seminar, at the La Fonda Hotel in Santa Fe, put on by SpySeminars.com over Nov. 2-4. We had a table where we displayed National and Chapter membership information, along with various issues of The Intelligencer.

I will check on the status of the University of New Mexico's National Security Studies Program to see if it is still viable and to promote our chapter. As we currently do not have enough members to qualify for matching scholarship funds, I will see if there is an avenue to have the students apply directly to the National Scholarship program.

Our next focus is to promote our monthly meetings in some of the local newspapers and on their websites. The plan is to not include the actual meeting location but direct to the phone numbers and afionm.org emails for Tom and myself.

PREVIOUS MEETING REPORT:

At 11:35AM Chapter President, Sam Shaw, opened the luncheon meeting, Tom Dyble lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance and Dolph Saenz lead us in prayer. Sam Shaw discussed placing meeting notices in local area papers. We wish to thank Tom for his presentation on third in the series on Arkady Ostrovsky's book "The Invention of Russia: From Gorbachev's Freedom to Putin's War". He covered the period from Yeltsin's 1996 election as Russian president until Putin's 1999 election, which discusses the fights between oligarchs for wealth and power, as well as the struggles to find a replacement for Yeltsin.

After the presentation we discussed the upcoming Spies Lies & Nukes seminar that both Tom and Bob are attending, and the promotional opportunity we would have by becoming a sponsor and having a display table to attract potential members. The executive committee agreed to have me pursue this. I was able to contact Sherri Clark, the contact for the seminar, and secure a separate table for our material. I registered on-line for our Chapter as a sponsor, and then informed the executive team that I would man the display table both days.

1:00PM Rich Sullivan moved that the meeting be closed and Dolph seconded the motion. After the meeting the Executive continued discussion on the merits of having a presence at the Spies Lies & Nukes seminar and unanimously approved getting a table to display our Chapter material. Sam Shaw was tasked with coordinating this.

CLOSING COMMENTS

After communicating with AFIO National Headquarters for updated promotional material, we received current Membership applications and flyer for The Intelligencer. They have also updated our Chapter Officer information on their website. Our thanks to them. I now need to find out how to have our meeting and speaker info. be on their Calendar of Events page.

A brief report on the Spies Lies & Nukes seminar display table will be made by me at our next meeting on the 14th, hope to see you all there.

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