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From our President

Greetings MSC colleagues.

I pray you and yours are well as we continue to work through these challenging times.

REUNION UPDATE!!

The Reunion remains scheduled for 29 September – 2 October 2021 at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Virginia.

We met as a Board and decided that we will move forward and conduct the Reunion as scheduled. The hotel is working closely with us to ensure a safe environment that adheres to all State and local guidelines. Currently these guidelines will require us to wear masks and be socially distant but will allow us to keep all of our scheduled events on track.

Please continue to check our website for updates.

<https://silvercaduceusassociation.org>

Lisa Weatherington, Bev Beavers and team have coordinated, planned and orchestrated a busy and productive Reunion for 29 September – 2 October 2021 at the Crystal City Marriott in Virginia. More details are within this newsletter but suffice it to say this will be a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with colleagues while learning more about the state of the DHA and Military Medicine.

Just some of the events scheduled:

Wednesday, 29 Sep will include registration and AOC Dinners

Thursday, 30 Sep includes a tour of the new Army Museum and the opening reception

Friday, 1 Oct we will have special speakers including the Army Surgeon General (LTG Raymond Dingle), the Director of the DHA (LTG Ron Place) and COL Mike Elliot Deputy Corp Chief.

Saturday, 2 Oct will include a memorial service, presentations by Military Officers Association of America, COL (Ret.) Dick Ginn on Medical Service Corp History, the MEDCOM Deputy Commanding General (Support), BG Paula Lodi, and our evening Banquet.

Further details are within this newsletter.

My thanks to the incredible board and the Silver Caduceus Association members.

Look forward to seeing you at the Reunion!

Colonel Kyle D. Campbell, FACHE, USA Retired

President, Silver Caduceus Association

Reunion Update

It brings us great pleasure to provide the following reunion updates. There is no doubt we have had to review every aspect of our reunion planning since the onset of COVID-19. With prayer, patience and flexibility we have successfully planned an excellent reunion and feel confident that this years' reunion will be a memorable occasion. The SCA Board of Directors and Reunion Planning Committee have been diligently working in this everchanging COVID-19 environment and are excited about our upcoming event. The information below is provided to highlight some of the special events and important information planned for the 2021 reunion.

Registration:

The last chance to take advantage of the great room rate of \$159.00 (King) and \$169.00 (Double) is Friday, 09/10/2021. Hotel Reservations must be received by that date, then the unreserved rooms will be released for general sale. Early registration for the Reunion ends on 09/11/2021. After that date, the registration fees increase to \$90.00. If anyone needs assistance with registration assistance contact Lisa Weatherington at wxington1@msn.com

Health and Safety:

The health and welfare of our members is at the forefront of our decisions. The Crystal Gateway Marriott is pleased to host our reunion and will be following strict COVID-19 protocols. The only change on the restrictions in Virginia is that guests should be wearing mask while indoors. Majority of staff are vaccinated and was 94% a few weeks ago. All of Marriott associates are wearing masks while in the premises of the hotel. Marriott follows cleanliness protocols in sleeping rooms and banquet rooms. Marriott does not clean rooms on a daily basis to avoid contact and to protect guests and staff. If anyone wants their room to be cleaned, they will have to inform front desk of a schedule so they can update their housekeeping team.

U. S. Army Museum Tour:

The U.S. Army Museum Tour will be on Thursday, September 30, 2021. The POC is Cathy Troutman, 240-506-0117. Participants will meet in the

Hotel Lobby at 0745 hours and tickets distributed from 0745 – 0800 hours. The Bus will depart to the Army Museum PROMPTLY at 0800 hours and the tour will begin at 0900 and returning back to the hotel at 1300. Only those paying the \$18 transportation fee are authorized to ride the bus.

AOC Dinners:

As part of the agenda, Wednesday, 29 September is reserved for AOC dinners, which have proven to be fun events in the past. AOC dinners are spearheaded by various AOC leaders. The Health Services Materiel Officers and Medical Maintenance Warrant Officer AOC dinner will be held on Wednesday evening, 29 September at a restaurant near the reunion hotel. If you are interested please contact Mark Lyford by 17 September at Lyford.Mark@gmail.com so he can reserve a big enough table and send you the location/ time. It will be a good time and an excellent opportunity to catch up with friends.

Our welcome reception will be Thursday evening at 6:30 pm/1830 in the Skyview Room and is free for reunion registered personnel and their guests. If you have not signed up yet for the reception please contact Jody Wright at jody.l.wright7@outlook.com.

We look forward to seeing you face – to - face soon!

Be a SCA Recruiter

Roger Williams

Those of you who have been a Silver Caduceus Association (SCA) member for a few years, or more are well aware of the social and career benefits of membership and the camaraderie the association offers its members. The SCA has experienced significant growth over the past 12 months having increased its membership by more than 150 new members. But even with a membership count of 712 thru Aug 2021 there are many retired, active duty and former MSC officers from the active or reserve component and the National Guard that could be recruited.

So, help us spread the word, let your fellow MSC officer friends and coworkers know that the SCA is out there and ready to sign them up as

members. If asked, let them know that the purpose of the SCA is to promote the history and traditions of the Medical Service Corps, to enhance continuing education, and to support social and recreational activities for its membership.

To continue to grow and to be able to sponsor future scholarships, educational and recreational activities, it is imperative that the SCA maintain an active recruitment program. You, as a SCA member, are in the best position to recruit new members. Below are some specific benefits of SCA membership.

- Network with current and former MSC Officers

- Build life-long friendships with fellow MSC professionals

- Access member-only information on SCA's comprehensive website

- Apply for scholarships through SCA's scholarship program

- Recognize MSC officers through the SCA's awards program

- Honoring deceased MSC officers on the In Memoriam page on the SCA website

- Share event photos of Silver Caduceus Society meetings on the SCA website

- Connect with friends and mentors at the Biennial SCA Reunion

As a reminder, the SCA has both regular and lifetime memberships. Regular memberships are available in one or multiyear increments at \$15 per year and to encourage individuals to join with a multiyear membership there is a five-year option for just \$50 that saves the individual and the association money over renewing single year memberships. Lifetime memberships are also available for \$350. A onetime \$10 admin fee is required on all new memberships, regular and lifetime.

When talking to a potential SCA member, you may want to emphasize that the SCA is a separate organization from the Silver Caduceus Societies and membership they may have in a chapter of the SCS does not equate to membership in the SCA, they are two different entities. Below is the link to the SCA web page that offers online credit card membership applications or the option of downloading an application and mailing it to the address shown.

<https://www.silvercaduceusassociation.org/members/join>

NOTICE: SCA Mailing Address Change

Effective immediately, the Silver Caduceus Association mailing address has change. Our post office box number was change so are new mailing address is:

SCA, Inc.
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Do not fear, if you recently mailed us something, the post office will forward all SCA mail to our new box for at least six months.