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THE SCA ENEMNS

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Dear Fellow SCA Member,

Silver Caduceus Association, Inc.
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SCA New Members:

We were pleased to welcome the following new members in May;

MAJ, (AD) Logan Blank
COL, (Ret) Dale R. Brown
LTC, (Ret) William, "Bill" Carter
COL, (Ret) Joseph C. Hightower
CPT, (Ret) John F. Jessup, Jr.
LTC (AD), Matthew D. Konopa
COL, (Ret) John Orendorff

CPT, (AD) Gary E. Miller
COL, (Ret) Douglas "Doug" E. Moore
CPT, (NG) Jennae L. Pitts
LTC, (Ret) Reginald D. Ray
COL, (Ret) Judith D. Robinson
MAJ, (Ret) Edward T. Roder
COL, (Ret) James "Sig" Signaigo

Remarks From MG David Rubenstein On the Scheduled MSC Birthday Celebration:

-----San Antonio area SCA members-----

The Alamo Silver Caduceus Society is hosting an MSC anniversary event and professional development presentation in Blesse Auditorium on Monday, 30 June from 1100-1300. The best parking option is in the AMEDD Museum parking lot.

The Alamo SCS invites all SCA members to attend and be a part of this event. SCA members who are out of uniform made yesterday's MSC history. SCA members who are in uniform are making today's MSC history. It's important that we all come together to celebrate those histories.

Please let me know if you'll attend so I may keep the Alamo SCS team informed.

I'm at david.a.rubenstein@gmail.com.

-----Other area SCA members-----

Our history is important. We have only one anniversary a year. Reach out to your local MSC leadership and find out what their plans are to conduct an anniversary event. If there are no plans, work with them to develop a plan. Hooah.

Best wishes, all, and happy 97th anniversary of the Medical Service Corps.

David

David Rubenstein, FACHE
Major General, US Army retired
Past Chairman, American College of Healthcare Executives
Clinical Associate Professor of Health Administration, Texas State University

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Remarks From COL Mark Lyford On SCA 2014 Reunion:

Don't miss this year's SCA Reunion in Washington DC to be held from 3 – 6 Sep at the Capital View Renaissance hotel. Activities will begin Wednesday afternoon with a Pentagon tour followed by evening medical logistics, maintenance, pharmacy, and personnel officer specialty dinners. On Thursday we'll have a City tour that will include visits to many of the monuments and an SCA wreath laying ceremony at Arlington Cemetery. Friday afternoon, there will be a bus tour to Fort Belvoir where you'll see the new hospital. For golfers, there will be a tournament at the East Potomac (Haines Point) course followed by a barbeque dinner for all Reunion attendees. We have quite an assortment of speakers including the keynote address from the Army Surgeon General. When making your hotel reservations call 703-413-1300, and let them know you are with the SCA reunion to get the discounted rate. If you have any questions or didn't receive a registration packet, please e-mail Mark Lyford at mlyford@lmi.org.

Congratulations to COL, (P) Robert Tenhet:

The SCA extends hearty congratulations to COL, (P) Robert Tenhet, MSC, Executive Officer to The Surgeon General, who has been selected for promotion to Brigadier General. He joins the Active Duty MSC Brigadier Generals, Dennis Doyle and Pat Sargent; his promotion to Brigadier General is scheduled for June 6, 2014.

The Silver Caduceus Association has a Facebook page!

The intent of this social media outlet is to assist the SCA in sharing information between members, other like-minded organizations, and also to recruit fellow MSC's. We will post relevant information about the Army Medical Department. Please copy and paste this link into your browser and follow the SCA! AMEDD Strong! Link: <https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Silver-Caduces-Association/287265814776102>

In view of the success the SCA has experienced with LinkedIn, a decision was made to establish the SCA Facebook page that was launched in April. CPT Thomas Tucker is commended for this initiative, and we thank him for his assistance and efforts in designing and setting up the SCA Facebook page.

Recruiting New SCA Members:

A major focus for this year continues to be with our efforts to increase our membership which is in keeping with our Theme: "Planting the Seeds to Grow the SCA". Each member is requested to recruit one or more members this year. And, I encourage you to be very ambitious in setting your recruitment quota. I trust that you are working diligently to attain the recruitment goal. It is essential that each SCA member take an active role in marketing the SCA by personally reaching out to our Fellow MSC Officers to spread the word about our great organization and to recruit new members. Plant a Seed Today to Grow the SCA!

SCA Excellence In Leadership Award:

MG David Rubenstein presented the SCA Excellence In Achievement Award to CPT Erik Wiesehan on May 21, 2014 at the AMEDD Captains Career Course Graduation Ceremony. The photo includes MG Rubenstein, CPT Wiesehan, and LTC Patrick Birchfield, who was serving as Acting Chief, AMEDD Captains'

Nominating:

Jim Van Straten

Webmaster:Doug & Cindy
Stephens**Memorial Services:**Jim Vinci
Doug Braendel**SCA & SCS****Partnership:**

Vacant

**Recruitment &
Marketing:**

Ed Lynch

Career Course Branch during the graduation ceremony. CPT Wiesehan was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Medical Service Corps from Santa Clara University in 2006. He is currently the Commander of the Los Angeles Medical Recruiting Company. The Los Angeles Medical Recruiting Company is responsible for recruiting doctors, nurses and healthcare professionals throughout Southern California, Hawaii, Korea and Japan. CPT Wiesehan recently specialized in the Medical Service Corps as a Health Services Comptroller and will be departing the Command in June 2014 to begin graduate studies at the U.S. Army Baylor Program in Fort Sam Houston, TX. There he will study to attain both a Master of Health and Business Administration (MHA/MBA). CPT Wiesehan's previous military assignments include: Medical Platoon Leader, 1st Battalion 27th Infantry Regiment (Stryker), 25th ID, Schofield Barracks, HI; Aide de Camp for the Commanding General of the Pacific Regional Medical Center and Tripler Army Medical Center, HI; Battalion Adjutant, Warrior Transition BN, Fort Riley, KS; and Battalion Operations Officer, Warrior Transition BN, Fort Riley, KS.

Captain Wiesehan's military education includes the Recruiting Company Commanders Course, the AMEDD Captains Career Course and the AMEDD Basic Officer Leader Course. His military awards include the Meritorious Service Medal (3rd award), Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Iraq Campaign Service Medal (2 campaign stars), Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal (3rd award), Overseas Ribbon (2nd award), Ranger Tab, Army Recruiter Badge and Combat Action Badge.

The SCA congratulates CPT Wiesehan on his numerous outstanding achievements; moreover, we wish him continued success with his military career.

**MSC Junior Officer Week Honorees Recognized By SCA:**

On 1 May 2014, Colonel James Vinci, MSC, Ret., (our SCA VP), presented the "SCA Award of Excellence" on behalf of the Silver Caduceus Association to the 2013 and 2014 junior officer honorees. The presentation was held in Aabel Hall at the AMEDD Center and School; it was presided over by Col. Jim Vinci and our MS Corps Chief, BG Dennis Doyle. A special "Thank You" is extended to MAJ,

"Ret" Jim Conrad for his assistance in designing and framing the certificates. The following are the recipients:

Health Services (67A)

2013 - 1LT Christopher Morrow

2013 - CPT Nathaniel Bastian

2014 - CPT Julian Gilbert

2014-CPT Alec Finlay

Medical Allied Sciences (67B)

2013 - CPT Deena Willis

2014 - CPT Jody Harbett-Trask

Preventive Medicine Sciences (67C)

2013 - CPT Dennis Rufolo

2014 - CPT William Vass

Health Service Maintenance Technician (670A)

2013 - CW2 Joshua Adams

2014 - CW2 John Passmore

Clinical Health Sciences (67D)

2013 - CPT Timothy Hoyt

2014 - CPT Matthew Krull

Army National Guard

2013 - CPT Scott Edwards

2014 - CPT Jamie Clasen

US Army Reserve

2013 - CPT Stacy Black

2014-CPT Lewis Gorman

Peer Award

2013 - CPT Diego Rincon

2014 - CPT Ralph Salazar



SC SCA Holds Another Successful Social Gathering:



COL Bernie Chapman reported that our South Carolina contingent of the SCA met on May 20, 2014 for lunch at the Fort Jackson Officers Club. We were joined by MAJ Michele Kehrlé, the President of the Moncrief Army Hospital Silver Caduceus Society. I believe that we have 19 or so SCA members in South Carolina; yesterday we had 10 attend to attend our event. Bob Hawkins drove to Columbia from the coast (Pawley Island), and Leroy Rosenberg drove in from Rock Hill, SC. We also had two spouses attend this luncheon, Maureen Fox and Jane Richter (Jane came even after her husband, Paul had an unexpected commitment that precluded him from attending). An

interesting note, the Fort Jackson Officers Club is only 1 of 5 Officers Clubs left in the Army. Our agenda was camaraderie, looking for MSCs who are not now SCA members and encouraging them to join, the upcoming SCA Reunion in DC, and MAJ Kehrlé provided timely information on what is going on at Moncrief Army

Community Hospital (we did not press her for the strategic plan for the AMEDD during the downsizing of the military). The photo shows (left to right) Nelson Lacy, Rich Fox, Bob Hawkins, Jeff Rimmer, Leroy Rosenberg, Bill Chambers (kneeling), Alan Jones, Fleming Jones, Pat Tavella, Bernie Chapman, and MAJ Michele Kehrle.

MSC Disciplines' (AOC/MOS) Social Gatherings:

During the SCA 2014 Reunion, Wednesday Evening, September 3, 2014, has been set aside for MSC Disciplines to hold their Social Gatherings. Additionally, individuals are needed to serve as the Discipline Spokesperson/Point of Contact as well as to plan and coordinate, etc the social gathering for your respective discipline. Please advise Mark Lyford, mlyford@lmi.org and George Waters, geoh2o@juno.com of your desire to serve as a Discipline Spokesperson/POC. You are encouraged to contact the POC for your AOC/MOS The following individuals are serving as Discipline Spokesperson/POC;

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A Thought To Ponder:

“Every time words are spoken, something is created. Be conscious of what you say and how you say it. Use words that build up, appreciate, encourage and inspire.” (Lucy MacDonald)

In Memoriam:

It is with great sadness that I inform you of the passing of the following Fellow Medical Service Corps Officers;

COL, (Ret) Gilbert L. East

COL, (Ret) John D. Hayes

COL, (Ret) James P. Laible

COL, (Ret) Dennis B. Latimer

COL, (Ret) Martin W. “Marty” Sargent

Warmest regards,



George A. Waters, Jr.

President, SCA



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