



SCA eNews

Silver Caduceus Association mission

To Promote the history and traditions of the Medical Service Corps, to enhance the continuing education, support social and recreational activities and reinforce camaraderie among its members

Presidents message

Howdy, all. I trust you're well.

It's a pleasure to serve as your president for the next two years. We have a lot to do in order to position our Silver Caduceus Association to survive and prosper.

The we I speak of includes you, each of you. It is not the Board alone that is key to our future. Your personal involvement is necessary.

A few months ago, I commissioned the Army-Baylor MHA Program to conduct an SCA marketing study and plan. Their plan will serve as our road map into the future. To execute that plan will require that we have committees to perform the work. To that end, the Board will look to you to volunteer your time and talent to the various committees. Those calls will come in future months.

Thank you, in advance for your dedication to our successful future.

Best wishes,

MG (Ret) David Rubenstein, FACHE

President, Silver Caduceus Association

Serving the Army community
of present and former MSC
officers

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Our immediate Past Presidents message

It has been my distinct honor and privilege to have served as your President for the last two years. As my time as your President comes to an end I want to express my sincere appreciation for the hard work and the hours dedicated to the SCA by our outgoing Officers, Board of Directors, and staff. The 2018 Reunion in San Antonio was a resounding success due to the hard work and many hours contributed by our Reunion Committee. It was great to see and spend time with our MSC friends and colleagues, and I know all in attendance share my sentiments. As we turn the reins over to our new President, MG(R) David Rubenstein, and the newly elected SCA Board, I look forward to an invigorating time for the Silver Caduceus Association. A time of continued growth and renewed sense of purpose for the organization. Thanks for all you do, and I'll see you on the high ground!

Chuck Adams

From Roger Williams, SCA Scholarship Committee Chairman

As the new chairman to our Silver Caduceus Association Scholarship Program I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to George Hammond and James Hayes for the work they have done over the years to help enhance the continuing education of our SCA family members via our scholarship program. The new Scholarship Committee will be made up of me, Ed Hollingsworth and Thomas Hoopes and will work to keep up the high standard set by George and Jim.

I also want to once again say thank you to those of you who gave me a contribution for our scholarship program during this year's reunion. Your donations will help us sustain the program for future years. And finally, I want to encourage other members to find time within the next few months to make a donation to the scholarship program while you still have time to take advantage of the 2018 tax write off. To make a donation you simply write a check payable to the SCA and note on the "For" line that it is for the scholarship program. Then mail your check to SCA, Inc., P.O. Box 39514, San Antonio, TX 78218.

2018 SCA Reunion, San Antonio, Texas

October 25 – 27 2018



The 2018 SCA reunion in San Antonio was a roaring success. Your reunion committee under the leadership of committee Chairman, Linn Danielski, did an outstanding job. Linn and his committee built a program that will be a model for future reunions. We owe each committee member a big thank you for the program they put together. Committee members were, Duane Jackson, Ken Lingle, Stanley Schmid, Jim Whitmire, Phill Swinney, Henry Dean, Jim Vinci, Leon Childers, Jim Van Straten , Darrell Dean, Roger Williams, and (co chair) Ed Hollingsworth

The program included a full day trip to Fredericksburg and a tour of Fort Sam Houston, the Army Residence Community, (ARC) and a golf tournament followed by Oktoberfest at the Fort Sam Houston Golf Club.

We were fortunate to have several dynamic speakers

MSC Corps Chief, MG Patrick Sargent

COL Carol Rymer speaking on the US Army Institute of Surgical Research, (USAISR)

COL (R) Daniel Gall speaking on the National Defense Authorization Act, Defense Health Headquarters , and Changes to AMEDD MEDCOM/OTSG

Three USAA briefings, the Blended Retirement System, Josh Andrews, Survivor Relations and Support, Helise Mack, and Planning in Today's Tax Environment, Robert Steen

COL (R) Jim Van Straten speaking on the Vietnam war and what caused the US to enter the war

Your Officers and Board Members for the term 2018 to 2020

President: David Rubenstein

President Elect: Kyle D. Campbell

Vice President: Ed Hollingsworth

Secretary: Lisa Weatherington

Treasurer: Tom Barker

Immediate Past President: Chuck Adams

Board Member: David Bitterman

Board Member: Kyle C. Campbell

Board Member: Ken Canestrini

Board Member: Monica Douglas

Board Member: Lynn Marm

Message from one of our Founding Fathers

As a founding father of our Organization, it has been an honor to continuously serve as a Board member and /or officer since our inception in 2003 as well as my involvement in all of our Reunions.

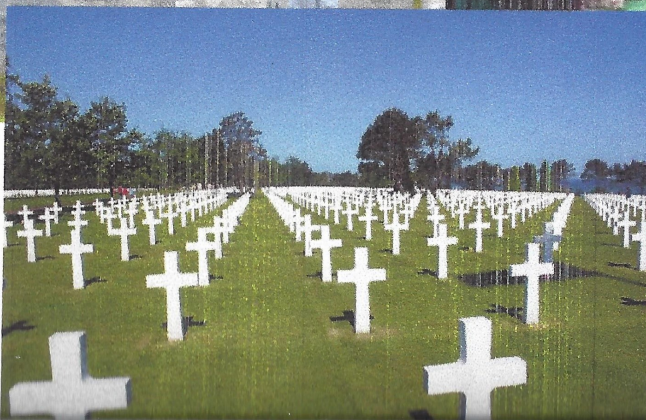
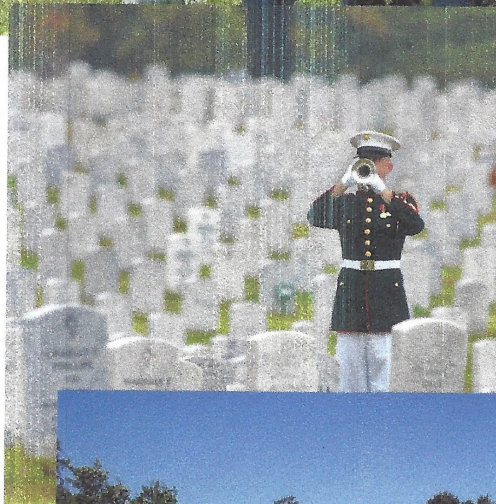
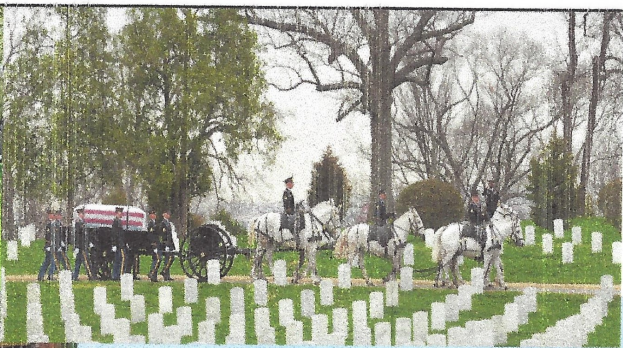
Although no longer on the BOD, I am not going away but will continue as our LinkedIn site manager and want each of you to know that I stand ready to continue to assist and support our Association when called upon by our new president and/or BOD.

I wish our new BOD, President, Officers and Staff the very best as they continue to direct, improve and move forward our SCA organization.

Best Regards,

Jim Vinci

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Prelude: "Highland Cathedral"..... Bagpipers
....MAJ (R) Tom Barker and Mahria Manning, Tom's Teacher

8:30AM.....Pledge of Allegiance

Invocaton.....COL (R) Douglas Braendel

YouTube Video....."Just a Common Soldier," by Lawrence Vaincourt

"When Day Is Done" by Edgar Guest, Read by:

.....CW4 (R) Ed Hollingsworth

Recognition of Family Members of the Deceased in Attendance

...COL (R) Chuck Adams, SCA President

Names of Deceased Medical Service Corps Personnel

Read Aloud by.....COL (R) Linn Danielski

Bell Tolled by.....COL (R) Gordon Hennessy

.....CW4 (R) Edward Shockley

Echo Taps:....LTC (R) Michael S. Kinkade U.S. Army and former

SP-4 Robert Ramirez, Echo Buglers Provided by

U.S. Army Retired Memorial Service Detachment,

Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery

[When "Taps" is played, it is customary to stand and execute the hand Salute]

"Amazing Grace"..... Bagpipers

Benediction.....COL (R) Douglas Braendel

Recessional: "Ballad of the Green Berets".....Bagpipers

NAMES OF OUR DECEASED COMRADES

CW3 Thomas F. Bennett
LTC Edward C. Bland, Jr.
CW4 Francis (Frank) Boisvert
LTC Gary S. Brink
LTC Fred J. Byrod
COL George Caras
LTC Marshall W. Clapp
COL John J. Danielson
COL William (Bill) F. Carroll
COL Fred D. Dowdy, Jr.
LTC Charles A. Emrick, Jr.
LTC Harlan Wade Fowler
LTC David W. Garvin, Sr.
LTC James M. Georgoulakis
COL Jack N. Guthrie
COL Richard W. Hauer, Jr.
COL William Hames
COL Robert T. Hawkins
LTC Billy Heaton
COL William R. Hill
COL Fleming F. Jones
COL Malachi B. Jones
LTC Lewis Maloy Jones
LTC James R. Kearns
LTC Richard A. Kiel
COL Robert Eugene Kleber
COL Joseph L. (Joe) Koch

MAJ James E. Kuza
LTC Daniel Lanier, Jr.
COL John T. Leddy, Jr.
COL Michael B. Lester
LTC Charles Henry Lewis
COL Earl B. Mally, Jr.
COL Earl C. McSwain, Jr.
COL Richard Edward Meiers
LTC William E. Moore
COL Robert J. Myers
COL Donald A. Myles
CW3 Ronald Glenn Nelson
LTC Robert Kenneth Overend
LTC David B. Peduto
LTC James L. Pleasants
Lt Col Robert A. Poksay
COL Edward John Preston, Jr.
COL Donald C. Rocke
LTC Armond C. (Si) Simmons
LTC Carl E. Smith
LTC Peter Park Smith
COL Charles E. Thomas
LTC Marvin E. Walker II
COL John Walker Ward
MAJ William Wayne Watkins
COL Samuel Rogers Wetherill, III
COL Thomas C. Whitsell

When Day Is Done
By Edgar Guest

When day is done and the night slips down,
And I've turned my back on the busy town,
And come once more to the welcome gate
Where the roses nod and the children wait,
I tell myself as I see them smile
That life is good and its tasks worthwhile.

When day is done and I've come once more
To my quiet street and the friendly door,
Where the Mother reigns and the children play
And the kettle sings in the old-time way,
I throw my coat on a near-by chair
And say farewell to my pack of care.

When day is done, all the hurt and strife
And the selfishness and the greed of life,
Are left behind in the busy town;
I've ceased to worry about renown
Or gold or fame, and I'm just a dad,
Content to be with his girl and lad.

Whatever the day has brought of care,
Here love and laughter are mine to share,
Here I can claim what the rich desire—
Rest and peace by a ruddy fire,
The welcome words which the loved ones speak
And the soft caress of a baby's cheek.

When day is done and I reach my gate,
I come to a realm where there is no hate,
For here, whatever my worth may be,
Are those who cling to their faith in me;
And with love on guard at my humble door,
I have all that the world has struggled for.

Report from the Saturday Business Meeting

A Motion to further clarify and change Article IV, Section II to add SCA before the word Regular and read was proposed by George Waters and seconded by George Hammond at the General membership meeting in San Antonio, Tx., on 27 October 2018 to read as follows:

The Board of Directors (BOD) shall consist of:

a. SCA Regular Members. The total number of members on the Board of Directors shall be an odd number.

A vote of the General membership was taken and it was unanimously approved with no dissenting votes.

Our Origin

After "Reunion Meeting 2000" that Jim Van Straten coordinated along with Tom Kistler, Ken Lingle and John Conner in San Antonio, Jim Vinci volunteered George Hammond and Ernie Sylvester to host an MSC get together in Clearwater, FL. in 2002.

It was at that meeting in 2002 in Clearwater that Ernie Rezendes and Jim Vinci proposed that we should have a formal chartered organization with a Board of Directors and a slate of Officers and Staff. The proposition was unanimously agreed by all in attendance.

Ernie Rezendes, Jim Vinci, George Hammond, George Waters, Ernie Sylvester, Gordon Hennessy, and Bud Ockert agreed to take on that effort and be on the Board of Directors with Ernie Rezendes as the President, George Hammond as Vice President and Jim Vinci as Treasurer.

Shortly after our meeting in Florida, we asked Earl McSwain to join the Board as well as becoming our first secretary and which he accepted.

Ernie Rezendes, Earl McSwain and Jim Vinci began to draft a Constitution and Bylaws in earnest as well as preparing a Charter and Articles of Incorporations with the help of Betty McSwain and Tom Hill's son, an attorney.

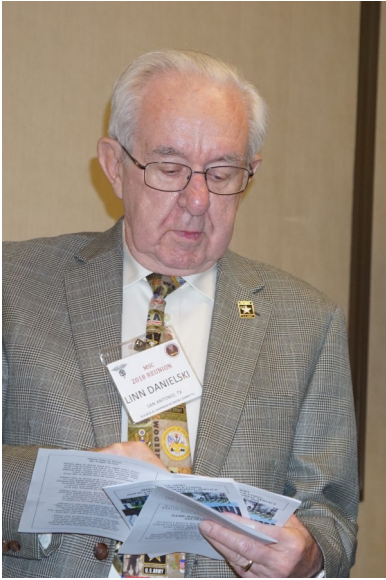
Our first Organizational Meeting was held on 30 Sept. 2003 at 8503 Aesop Lane, Universal City, Tx. 78148 and the minutes approved on 15 Oct 2003 at which time our Constitution and Bylaws were approved.

In 2003 our organization was chartered and registered in the State of Texas as a 501(c)(19) corporation, first named as the MSC Network and later changed to the Silver Caduceus Association.

In 2004 the Association continued to mature. The Constitution and Bylaws, with yeoman's work by George Waters, was refined, amended and approved by the Board of Directors and General Membership. We also added staff positions including, Membership Chair, Historian, Scholarship Committee and Chaplain.

Our first Reunion as an "official chartered organization" was held in San Antonio in 2004 and continued every two years thereafter in Colorado Springs, Washington D.C., and San Antonio.









CPT Jessica N. Knoll is from North Fairfield, OH. She graduated from Capital University in 2014 with degrees in International Relations and World Religion. She graduated as an Academic All-American with summa cum laude honors. She was a Distinguished Military Graduate and commissioned as a Medical Service Officer.

Her previous assignments include; Headquarters Platoon Leader, Headquarters Support Company, 602nd Aviation Support Battalion at Camp Humphreys, Korea; Executive Officer, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Troop Battalion, Madigan Army Medical Center at Joint Base Lewis McChord (JBLM); Brigade Medical Operations Officer, 555th Engineer Brigade at JBLM. She is currently assigned to Tarantula Team, Operations Group at the National Training Center in Fort Irwin.

Her military awards and decorations include the Army Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters, Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Expert Field Medical Badge, Air Assault Badge, and German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge. She has attended the Officer Basic Course, Captain's Career Course, Combatives Level I, and Field Sanitation Course.