



SCA eNews



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

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From our President

Greetings all.

The past 9 months have flown by, and your Board has made tremendous progress on our Five Primary Goals.

We have planned and executed our work serving as a Social, Informational and Philanthropic organization focused on promoting the history and traditions of the Medical Service Corps, enhancing the continuing education of members while supporting the social, recreational activities and reinforcing camaraderie among our members.

It is now time to plan to attend our 2021 Reunion!!

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 Marriot 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.

Quick summary of just some of the events:

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 Corps Chief.

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

In addition, the Board has improved the capabilities and timeliness of our web site to include the ability to join/renew and make donations on-line. Further, we have implemented a pod cast approach to education events and our pod casts have exceeded 2,000 listeners. Our membership continues to grow and our collaboration with the Silver Caduceus Societies is at a great place.

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

2021 Silver Caduceus Association Reunion

Now is the time to begin making plans to attend our 2021 reunion, which will be at the Crystal Gateway Marriott Hotel in Arlington, VA in the National Capital Area.

Our reunion will be held in Arlington, Virginia from Wednesday, 29 September through Saturday, 2 October, 1700 Richmond Highway. Arlington, Virginia is an urban community in Northern Virginia that is located along the Potomac River with dramatic views of Washington, D.C. The downtown area is located within walking distance of a Metro station and has many hotels, retail stores, restaurants, and a unique network of underground shops and walkways. With its proximity to Ronald Reagan National Airport, this area is a popular place for visitors to stay with convenient access to the nation's capital. The program agenda consists of topics related to healthcare and on the subject of "The Future of Department of Defense Health Care".

Among other topics, we have invited speakers to update us on the Medical Service Corps, Army Medicine, and Defense Health Agency. Other activities include a tour of the National Museum of the United States Army, AOC Dinners/Socials, a Reception and free time to enjoy the area and each other.

The hotel provides free shuttle service from Reagan National Airport and has lobby access to the Crystal City Metro subway station. The station is two stops to the Pentagon, three to Arlington National Cemetery, and four to the National Mall.

The reunion activities at a glance are:

Wednesday, 29 Sept: AOC-specific dinners

Thursday, 30 Sept: Tour, Welcome Reception

Friday, 1 Oct: General sessions

Saturday, 2 Oct: Memorial service, general sessions, dinner-dance

Additional details, information, and on-line registration is posted on our website at <https://www.silvercaduceusassociation.org>. Attached is a paper copy of the registration form if you desire to mail in your registration form.

It is important that as many people as possible stay at our reunion hotel so we meet our contractual minimum and avoid a penalty.

MAKING HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Book your group rate for the Silver Caduceus Association Reunion Sep 2021 using the following information.

You can call the hotel Central Reservations at 1-800-228-9290 or use the link below to book your room.

Room reservations are available using our special group rate anytime within the below time frames:

Special Rate Start Date: Monday, September 27, 2021

Special Rate End Date: Monday, October 4, 2021

Last Day to Book: Friday, September 10, 2021

Hotel Link for reservations:

<https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1616921508421&key=GRP&app=resvlink>

Hotel information is at <https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/wasgw-crystal-gateway-marriott>.

Hotel offering a special group rate: Crystal Gateway Marriott for 159 USD per night

We look forward to you joining us as generations of MSC friends gather for a wonderful weekend. Now, please share this flyer and information with your MSC circle: by email, by mouth, by social media sites.

Additional information is available from our reunion co-chairs, Beverly Beavers, at bev110768@gmail.com or Lisa Weatherington at wxington1@msn.com.

As plans progress, additional information will be provided. Please continue to monitor the SCA website or our LinkedIn page for updated information.

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<https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1616921508421&key=GRP>

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Crystal Gateway Marriott

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Arlington, VA 22202 US**

SCA Scholarship Program: The 2021 scholarship application deadline has been extended from the 30th of June to the 31st of July 2021. All applicant's paperwork for this year's program must be received by 31 July 2021. The eligibility criteria for applying and the application form are posted on the SCA website and can be reached using the link below. This is a permanent change to the Scholarship Programs application deadline. Future year's programs will have a deadline of 31 July.

<https://www.silvercaduceusassociation.org/about/scholarships>

Also, as a reminder, our scholarship program is funded entirely by donations, and it has been successful over the years due to the generous contributions of our SCA members and other individuals who support the SCA goal of enhancing continued education. Your tax-deductible donations to the program will make it possible for us to continue to award scholarships to deserving SCA family members.

We now have many options available for you to donate to the scholarship fund. There is a dedicated scholarship donation button on the SCA website home page that allows for online credit card donations. You can use that button or bypass the home page altogether by clicking on the following link:

<https://www.silvercaduceusassociation.org/donations> and it will take you directly to the donation page.

Those planning to attend the 2021 SCA Reunion in Washington DC in September are now able to register for the reunion on the SCA website. Use the link below to take you to the registration page and click on the green "Tickets" button. Once you complete the registration options you are given the option of donating to the SCA scholarship fund.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2021-silver-caduceus-association-reunion-and-conference-tickets-141905022743>

Finally, you still have the option of writing a check and mailing it to the SCA. Simply make the check payable to the SCA and note on the "For" line that it is for the SCA scholarship program. Then mail your check to SCA, Inc., P.O. Box 39514, San Antonio, TX 78218.

If you have any questions concerning the SCA Scholarship Program, feel free to contact the Scholarship Committee Chairman, Roger Williams at rogerfwill@aol.com.

What was Your Primary AOC?

A few years back the SCA Board of Directors approved the addition of the Primary AOC data field to be added to the member's personal profile information in the SCA online database. The idea for adding this item was to provide a means to identify members who shared a common military specialty and assist in any effort to communicate with these individuals on topics of mutual interest.

Unfortunately, the Primary AOC data field has been identified in only 52% or 338 of our current 646 members. Of those that are blank, 136 are Lifetime members and 172 are Regular members. All regular members renewing their memberships online via credit card provide a Primary AOC during the renewal process. However, we still receive several renewals by check through the postal mail and for the most part the member does not include information to update their online profile. Since lifetime members never need to renew their membership, updated profile information often does not get inputted.

So, if you have a regular membership that has not been renewed online in the last few years or if you have a lifetime membership and you haven't added your Primary AOC to your SCA online personal profile let's see if we can get a significant movement going and one way or another, get the majority of the blank Primary AOC data fields filled.

The fastest way to get your Primary AOC entered on your online profile is to log into our web page and click on "View Your Profile". Otherwise, you can send an email message to me at rogerfwill@aol.com with your name and the Primary AOC you want added and I will be happy to enter the information. Below is a listing of the current AOCs assigned to MSC Officers.

67E Pharmacy	70H Health Services Plans, Ops, Intel, Sec, Tng.
67F Optometry	70K Health Services Materiel
67G Podiatry	71A Microbiology
67J Aero-medical Evacuation	71B Biochemistry
70A Health Care Administration	71E Clinical Laboratory
70B Health Services Administration	71F Research Psychology
70C Health Services Comptroller	72A Nuclear Medical Science
70D Health Service System Management	72B Entomology
70E Patient Administration	72C Audiology
70F Health Services Human Resources	72D Environmental Science
670A Health Services Maintenance Technician	73A Social Work
	73B Clinical Psychology

As a reminder, SCA members cannot see your full online profile. If they click on "View Details" next to your name in the Member List all they are able to see are the pieces of information you have checked on the "Viewing Preferences" line in the Additional Information section shown at the bottom of your profile. I strongly encourage members to review their profile and to check as many pieces of information they feel comfortable for viewing as only SCA members have access to the Member List and can view this information. At the very least, I recommend showing your email address. As always, if you have any questions, comments or need my assistance feel free to contact me via email.

Member Seeking Information

MAJ (Ret) Lacy Barnett desires a discussion with fellow SCA members who have knowledge on either of the topics listed below.

1. Officer Efficiency Rating System during the 1960s
2. U.S. Army Hospital, Ryukyu Islands, Camp Kue, Okinawa as events unfolded from 1970 to 1980

If you have information you are willing to discuss and share with me, please feel free to contact me via email at abarnett27@frontier.com. I look forward to hearing from many of you.