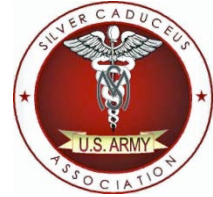




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SCA E-NEWS; JUNE 2012

Dear Fellow SCA Member;

1. **SCA New Members:** We welcomed the following new members in May;

COL, (Ret) John W. Cummings
CPT, (AGR) William D. Elliott
1LT, (AD) Lindsey B. Hinkle
Mr. Roger E. Miller

MAJ, (AD) Stephen C. Sheridan
LTC, (Ret) Fred H. Strobel
Mr. Charles O. Taflin
CPT Kelly Walker

2. **SCA Lifetime Membership Program:** The reinstatement of the issuance of Lifetime Memberships was announced in the April 2012 SCA E-News. Instructions for submission of a request for a Lifetime membership and the Lifetime Membership Dues Structure were announced in the May SCA E-NEWS. Your request for a SCA Lifetime Membership along with your check for the Lifetime Membership Dues should be forwarded to; SCA, Post Office Box 39514, San Antonio, Texas 78218. The dues structure for a SCA Lifetime Membership is as follows;

Thru Age 45-----	\$375.00
Age 46- 55-----	\$300.00
Age 56- 65-----	\$250.00
Age 66-75-----	\$200.00
Age 76 and up-----	\$125.00

- 3. Marketing the SCA: We need your help! Our Association depends on the efforts of all its members to market the Silver Caduceus Association. We want each MSC Officer and Warrant Officer to know about the SCA. It is acknowledged that all MSC's will not join the SCA, but we want each MSC to be aware of the SCA and to have the option of deciding whether to join or not. In this regard, I am requesting that you contact the MSC's you know who are not members of the SCA to tell them about it and to encourage them to join our Association. You may go to our Website and review the SCA Member List Online to ascertain if an MSC is currently a member. You can also refer individuals to our SCA Website, www.silvercaduceusassociation.com, where the Membership Application can be downloaded in order to submit their applications. We must continue to recruit members, especially young members, and I challenge you to put forth some "heavy duty" marketing and recruitment actions as you spread the word about our fine organization. Plant A Seed Today To Grow The SCA!**
- 4. 2012 SCA Reunion: Save the dates--September 26-30, 2012. The reunion will be held in San Antonio, Texas at the Doubletree Hotel near the Airport. Mike McGinley and the SCA Reunion Planning have been very busy for several months putting together a program that I am certain you will find very interesting and enjoyable. We hope you are planning to join us. COL, (Ret) Mike McGinley, SCA Reunion Planning Committee Chairman, has dispatched the SCA Reunion Letters and Packets; moreover, I encourage you to submit your application immediately. Do not put it aside, and say, "I will get around to it". Registration information for the SCA Reunion is also posted to the SCA Website, www.silvercaduceusassociation.com . I look forward to seeing you at our SCA Reunion in September. **Please Note;** For those planning to attend the SCA Reunion in San Antonio, be advised that the event at Mulligan's, Fort Sam Houston Golf Club is open to all attendees, not just golfers. Although it was listed on the Registration Form as a Barbeque, the main entree for the menu will be "Chicken Cordon Bleu" and should be very delicious. This event has always been a very casual and popular social gathering.**
- 5. SCA 2012 Scholarship Update: The Scholarship Committee will be accepting scholarship applications through 31 July 2012. This is one month later than the previously announced date of 30 June 2012. Please refer to the SCA website for the details on how to apply and to download the application and all other needed information. The Scholarship Program is financed entirely by member's tax deductible donations. Any other needed application information may be obtained from the Scholarship Committee Chairman, George Hammond: ghammondeaglesnest@verizon.net, or Home phone 813-645-8861.**

6. **SCA Excellence in Leadership Award:** Congratulations are extended to CPT Kelly Walker as the distinguished MSC recipient of the award that was presented by our Vice President, Jim Vinci at the Captain's Career Course Graduation Ceremony on May 23, 2012. CPT Walker is a native of Petersburg, Illinois and a graduate of the US Military Academy. She is currently the commander of Company B, 86th CHS, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.
7. **MSC Disciplines' Social Gatherings:** During the SCA Reunion, Wednesday Evening, September 26, 2012 has been set aside for MSC Disciplines to hold their Social Gatherings. Linn Danielski, ldanielski@satx.rr.com, is the Point of Contact; moreover, the Discipline Spokesperson is encouraged to coordinate with Linn in order to get questions answered related to planning the discipline gatherings. Additionally, individuals are needed to serve as the discipline spokesperson as well as plan and coordinate the social gathering for your respective discipline. Please advise Linn and me of your desire to serve as a discipline spokesperson. **Additional discipline spokespersons are needed.** Discipline spokespersons are as follows;

DISCIPLINE SPOKESPERSON

Biomedical Maintenance -Doug Stephens, cmstephens@bmets-usa.com

Logistics- Jim Conrad, james.d.conrad@amedd.army.mil

Optical- George (Chuck) Adams, drcadams@mac.com

Pharmacy-

Roger Williams, ROGERFWILL@AOL.COM; Linn Danielski, ldanielski@satx.rr.com

8. **SCA Social Gathering:** The National Capital Region, (NCR) Social Gathering is scheduled for June 29, 2012, 1130 Hours at the Fort Belvoir Officers Club. It will be a combined luncheon event with the Silver Caduceus Society. The Guest Speaker will be COL, (Ret) Dick Ginn, SCA Editor/Historian, who will speak on the topic, "A Glimpse at MSC History". The cost for the luncheon is \$20.00. The MSC Birthday is quickly approaching, and Fort Sam Houston will be celebrating the MSC Birthday at approximately the same time. The NCR event will include a MSC Birthday cake cutting ceremony. I am encouraging maximum attendance, and your vigorous assistance is requested in getting the word out to MSC's about this SCA Social Gathering. The Points of Contact are;

COL, (Ret) Ed Haraguchi, edharaguchi@cox.net

COL, (Ret) Lisa Weatherington, lisa.weatherington@us.army.mil

9. **Medical Service Corps' 95th Birthday Celebration:** BG Denis D. Doyle, Chief of the Medical Service Corps, extends a cordial invitation to celebrate the 95th birthday of the Medical Service Corps with a cake cutting ceremony at 11:30 AM in Blesse Auditorium, Willis Hall at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, 29 June 2012. BG, (Ret) Richard Ursone, former Chief of the Medical Service Corps will be the keynote speaker. Maximum attendance is encouraged at this momentous occasion. Additionally, I am requesting your assistance in passing the word along about the event especially to our MSC Officers in the San Antonio and surrounding areas.

10. **Enhance The Camaraderie Experience:** Many Members do not realize that “privacy” issues dictate that their action is required to open and permit their contact information on the SCA Website to be accessible to other Members. The availability of contact information is seen by many as a value added benefit in belonging to the SCA and in promoting the “fraternal” ties of membership beyond the SCA Reunion; moreover, it is also a membership recruitment incentive. It is essential that you update your membership data on the SCA Website and also indicate your data that you want to make available to our fellow members.
11. **SCA Member List Online:** You are reminded to visit our SCA Website, www.silvercaduceusassociation.com , and update your personal data if you have not done so recently. Our members are encouraged to update their personal data and keep it current as changes occur. Please forward any updated information to our SCA Membership Chairman, James Whitmire, jwhitmire@satx.rr.com . Your cooperation and assistance in keeping the SCA Membership Directory current is greatly appreciated.
12. **Information on MSC Deaths: Why is the change in announcing MSC Deaths?** Thanks for asking. First, let me express my appreciation to each of you who has made it a point to assist by providing information on MSC deaths to me and/or our Chaplain, Doug Braendel. The SCA, for many years, has followed a practice of providing a sympathy card to the family of the deceased MSC. Many requests from the SCA membership have been received for addresses of the next of kin, (NOK) due to former relationships/assignments; moreover, you personally want to reach out to these individuals too. And, you have requested that this information on MSC deaths and the NOK be provided as early as possible. This item was also a focal point of interest in the responses to the SCA Survey. I will continue to provide this information in the monthly SCA E-News. My goal is to keep from inundating you with message traffic; however, a “one time” release will also be made as soon as complete and verifiable information on a death is received. Doug and I spend much time researching on the Internet, etc to obtain information on the NOK and obituaries. To assist with our goal to get timely information to the membership, I am requesting that you provide the complete name and rank of the deceased MSC, complete name and address of the NOK, and the obituary or other verification of death as soon as possible. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.
13. **A Thought To Ponder:** You can not build your reputation on what you are going to do. Intent without action is daydreaming. (Mark Sanborn)
14. **In Memoriam:** It is with sadness that I inform you of the passing of the following Fellow Medical Service Corps Officers;

MAJ, (Ret) Norman D. Albrecht
NOK: (Wife)
Geneva Albrecht
5926 Spring Vly
San Antonio, Texas 78247-1614

LTC, (Ret) Frederick M. Bock, IV
NOK: (Wife)
Martha O. Bock
5923 Windhaven Drive
Windcrest, Texas 78239-2132

COL, (Ret) Ronald L. Gillespie
NOK: (Former Wife and Care Giver),
Gertrude Gillespie,
2836 Dublin Blvd, APT. # 237,
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80918-5809

COL, (Ret) David Jentsch
NOK: (Wife)
Betty Jentsch
Knollwood Army Retirement Center
Washington, DC 20015

CW4, (Ret) Al Kasten
NOK: (Daughter)
Susan Dempsey
5 Janet Trail
Fairfield, PA 17320

LTC, (AD) Monique McCoy
NOK: (Parents)
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Glasford
Post Office Box 303613
St. Thomas, VI 00803-3613

COL, (Ret) Foster G. Ramsey
NOK, (Wife);
Dovie Ramsey
Post Office, Spicewood, Texas

Warmest regards,

George A. Waters, Jr.
President, SCA

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