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SCA E-NEWS; DEC 1, 2011

Dear Fellow SCA Member;

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

CPT Evette C. Barnes	LTC, (Ret) Duane L. Jackson
COL, (Ret) Felipe (Phil) Casso	COL, (Ret) George L. Kauffman, Jr.
COL, (Ret) Joseph J. Costanzo, Jr.	COL, (Ret) Earl B. Mally, Jr.
COL, (Ret) Michael D. Daley	LTC, (Ret) Kelley C. Roberson
LTC, (Ret) William (Bill) D. Finical	CW3, (Ret) John H. Taylor
CPT Danny Harris	

2. **Holiday Season:** I trust that you and your family had an enjoyable Thanksgiving. And, I am sure you are very busy preparing for the forthcoming Holiday Season.
3. **Congratulations to BG Doyle:** During a promotion ceremony at Fort Bliss, Texas on November 4, 2011, BG Dennis D. Doyle, (D3), was promoted to his new Flag Rank by LTG Eric B. Schoomaker, Commanding General, U. S. Army Medical Command and the 42nd Army Surgeon General. BG Doyle's wife, Lisa, and son, Devin, assisted with the pinning of the Brigadier General Shoulder Boards that were given to him by LTG Schoomaker. BG Doyle, a member of the Silver Caduceus Association, is the Commanding General of William Beaumont Army Medical Center and Deputy Commander for Readiness, Western Region Medical Command. These touching comments were made during the ceremony by BG Doyle.

He said there were three things that he would not change in his life. First, he would ask Lisa to marry him and hope that she would say "Yes". Second, he would hope to have a son as wonderful, caring, loving, and creative as Devin. Third, he would join the Army so that he could support and defend the constitution against all enemies foreign and domestic, and have the privilege of serving in peace and war with the finest soldiers in the best Army in the world. BG Doyle's Fellow MSC Officers, and especially the Members of the Silver Caduceus Association, salute and commend him for this remarkable achievement and wish him continued success with his outstanding military career.

4. **SCA Excellence In Leadership Award:** CPT Danny Harris received the Silver Caduceus Association's Excellence In Leadership Award at the AMEDD Career Course Graduation Ceremony on November 18, 2011. Colonel, (Ret) Thad Krupka presented the award to CPT Harris. He was also presented with a two, (2) year membership in the SCA. Congratulations to CPT Harris, and the Silver Caduceus Association wishes you well in your future endeavors.

5. **Scholarship Program:** The Silver Caduceus Association is exceptionally proud of its Scholarship Program; moreover, we are very fortunate to have a capable and dedicated committee, (George Hammond as Chairman, Ernest Sylvester, and James Hayes) giving oversight to the program. It is always refreshing to read the comments from our scholarship recipients who express their appreciation and indicate how much the scholarship assisted them. Additionally, it is through the donations by our members that the SCA is able to maintain its vibrant scholarship program. Thanks to our SCA members who have made donations to the SCA Scholarship Fund; moreover, you are encouraged to send your tax deductible donation to; SCA, Post Office Box 39514, San Antonio, Texas 78218.
6. **Membership Renewal — 2011 Expiration Date:** SCA Members with 2011 Membership Expiration Dates are encouraged to renew their membership early rather than wait to the end of the year when the membership will expire. We want to spread the workload for our Membership Chairman. I am urging you to avoid the Que, as we have 150 members with 2011 expiration dates; moreover, I request that you do not wait until the end of the year to pay your membership dues. You are also encouraged to pay your membership dues for multiple years. Contact Jim Whitmire, jwhitmire@satx.rr.com, if you have questions relating to your expiration date. Annual membership renewal is \$15.00. Please remit your membership dues to; SCA, Post Office Box 39514, San Antonio, Texas, 78218. Additionally, I wish to thank many of you who have renewed your membership early and also express my thanks to those who chose to renew your membership with a multi-year renewal.
7. **Social Gatherings:** Camaraderie represents the “Lifeblood” and binding strength of the Silver Caduceus Association. We are encouraging Social Gatherings on a regional/geographical basis and strong support for the SCA Partnership with the Silver Caduceus Societies Program. A very successful Social Gathering was held in San Antonio, and planning is underway for a follow-on event. A Social Gathering for the National Capital Region is being planned for early 2012. Initiatives are also being explored to forge SCA relationships with the Silver Caduceus Societies at Fort Bragg and Fort Hood. SCA Representatives are needed to plan and coordinate these events at other Posts/Installations. Please step forward and contact Thad Krupka, TKRUPKA@EARTHLINK.NET , to let him know of your desire to get involved and to work with this vital SCA Program.
8. **SCA 2012 Reunion:** Save the dates--September 26-30, 2012. The reunion will be held in San Antonio, Texas at the Doubletree Hotel near the Airport. We hope you are planning to join us.
9. **A Thought To Ponder:** The highest reward for a person’s toil is not what they get for it, but for what they become by it. (John Ruskin)
It is better to wear out than to rust out. (Richard Cumberland)
10. **In Memoriam:** It is with sadness that I inform you of the passing of the following Medical Service Corps Officers;

LTC David E. Cabrera, KIA
COL, (Ret) Charles H. (Skip) Champion, Jr.

Warm regards,

George A. Waters, Jr.
President, SCA