



MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS
United States Army



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SCA E-NEWS; JULY 2012

Dear Fellow SCA Member;

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

MAJ, (AD) Diana M. Colon
CPT, (Res) Andrew Culver
COL, (Ret) William E. Ethington
LTC, (Ret) Rufus S. Hoefler

COL, (Ret) Larry J. Keller, Sr.
COL, (Ret) Dennis J. Leahy
CPT, (AD) David Tyson
CPT, (Ret) Tony C. Williams

- 2. Marketing the SCA: We need your help! Our Association depends on the efforts of all its members to grow the Silver Caduceus Association. We need each MSC Officer and Warrant Officer to know about the SCA. It is acknowledged that all MSC's will not join the SCA, but, at the least, we would like all MSC's to be aware of the SCA and thus have the option of deciding whether to join or not. In this regard, I am requesting that you contact all MSC's you know who are not members of the SCA to tell them about the SCA 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!**

3. **2012 SCA Reunion:** The reunion, September 26-30, 2012, is rapidly approaching and will be held in San Antonio, Texas at the Doubletree Hotel near the Airport. COL Mike McGinley and the SCA Reunion Planning Committee 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. Mike 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. 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. This event has always been a very casual and popular social gathering. **Please Note This Update** from the SCA Reunion Chairman. "The tour for the Center for the Intrepid has been "sold out" at the maximum of 40 attendees level. However, the remaining tours for Thursday, September 27th are still open, with no cutoff number. Also, the menu for the Friday, September 28th "Barbeque" will be Chicken Cordon Bleu and not actually a barbeque.....just to clarify so there will be no confusion. Registrations are coming in at a steady rate, with over 40 attendees now already booked. Please do not wait until the last minute for early registration (August 31st)....and have to pay a late charge. Cash your retirement and social security checks ASAP!"

4. **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.

5. **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 , **NOTE FLYER ATTACHED.**

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

Pharmacy-

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

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6. **Medical Service Corps Celebrates Birthday:** On Friday, June 29, 2012, the Medical Service Corps celebrated its 95th birthday. This event included a cake cutting ceremony at 11:30 AM in Blesse Auditorium, Willis Hall at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. BG, (Ret) Richard Ursone, the 14th Chief of the Medical Service Corps was the keynote speaker. Colonel John P. Cook, current Deputy Chief of the Medical Service Corps, assisted with the cake cutting ceremony. This momentous occasion was an outstanding event.
7. **NCR SCA Sponsors MSC Birthday Celebration:** The National Capital Region SCA held a Luncheon with a cake cutting ceremony to celebrate the Medical Service Corps' 95th Birthday. This SCA Social Gathering was well attended by members of both the SCA and the Silver Caduceus Society and was held on Friday, June 29, 2012 at the Fort Belvoir Officers Club. The keynote speaker was our SCA Editor-Historian, COL Dick Ginn, who gave a very interesting presentation on the History of the Medical Service Corps. COL Angel L. Lugo, FACHE, Chief of Staff-National Region Medical Command assisted with the Birthday Cake Cutting Ceremony along with COL, (Ret) Fred C. Brand, (Senior MSC), and CPT, (AD) Jenna Burneskis, (Junior MSC). COL, (Ret) Lisa Weatherington and COL, (Ret) Ed Haraguchi did an outstanding job in planning and coordinating this SCA Social Gathering.
8. **Happy Fourth of July:** I wish you and your families an enjoyable Fourth of July; and, **please enjoy the video.** (Cut and paste to your Browser, if necessary; and, watch the video to the end" It is magnificent.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G40DSvEP7UU&feature=related>

9. **A Thought To Ponder:** Every man's work is a portrait of himself. (Apples of Gold)
10. **In Memoriam:** It is with sadness that I inform you of the passing of the following Fellow Medical Service Corps Officer; **Captain Richard Dixon**
NOK: (Wife)
Grayson Dixon
1224 Western Chapel Road
New Windsor, Maryland 21776

Warmest regards,

George A. Waters, Jr.
President, SCA

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