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## President's Message

Greetings, everyone. I'm gazing out my den window and enjoying the sun, knowing that there is another cold front on the way. Winter is still upon us as is Covid. Each of us is learning just how flexible we can be. Chatting with our comrades at Blue Skies and the ARC, they continue to deal with the fluctuations caused by outbreaks in their communities. We cancelled the January lunch due to the Omicron spike. JBSA backtracked their Covid status to Bravo Plus. Our hopes are that this spike will not be a prolonged event. All of us are Covid

weary.

The Chapter continues to press on. We Zoom, as necessary. We use all tools available to support our mission and the members. We value your support. As we plan for the events and opportunities of the Spring and the rest of the year, we continue to consider contingencies to ensure that we remain connected.

This connection is also an opportunity for members to reach out to each other. Follow the Lariat for events and opportunities for involvement. Phone, email, or text

another member. Help them stay connected.

We've weathered this for two years and are prevailing. This pandemic will become an endemic just like the flu, according to the medical community. In the meantime, vaccinations and masks are our weapons.

Best wishes to y'all and stay safe.

*Kitty*  
Kathryn "Kitty" Meyers  
LtCol USAF (Ret)  
SPHR, SHRM-SCP

## MOAA Top Priorities for 2022

1. Sustain pay raises and adequate BAH for the troops and COLA raises for retirees.
2. Ensure the Coast Guard, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and Public Health Service continue to receive pay during a government shutdown.
3. Protect the value of the military health care benefit.
4. Protect the Military Health System pharmacy benefit, and achieve flexibility in TRICARE pharmacy copays.
5. Address barriers to accessing care within the MHS, including TRICARE coverage gaps and mental health care access challenges.
6. Protect family support programs, and ensure military-provided services (housing, PCS, child care, youth programs, financial counseling) are readily available and meet standards for quality and costs.
7. Achieve equity of benefits, protections, and administrative support for Guard/Reserve members consistent with their active-duty counterparts.
8. Sustain Veterans Health Administration (VHA) foundational missions and services.
9. Reform the presumptive process to support veterans claiming service-connected disabilities for toxic exposures.
10. Achieve concurrent receipt of service-earned retirement pay and VA disability pay.
11. Protect full military honors and burial at Arlington National Cemetery for those currently eligible.
12. Improve survivors' benefits.
13. Support a quality transition experience from active duty to veteran status for all servicemembers.
14. Recognize the pandemic continues to affect the lives of our servicemembers.

# Notices



## Thank You

to each of our members listed below who have donated a little (or a lot!) to the Educational Foundation, and/or Chapter Ops. We really appreciate it—and every dollar helps!

COL Matthew Brockway USA (Ret)  
 COL Bruce Brant USA (Ret)  
 COL Arthur Bryant USA (Ret)  
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 Col Edward Herbold USAF (Ret)  
 COL Lyle Jackson USA (Ret)  
 Col Thomas Klimas USAF (Ret)  
 Pamela Kroyer  
 COL Marvin Loera, USA (Ret)  
 MG Mike Lyle USA (Ret)  
 CDR David Marx USN (Ret)  
 Gen William McBride USAF (Ret)  
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 Col M. Boots Miller USAF (Ret)  
 Lt Col Keith Mirrer USAF (Ret)  
 Lolly Orlowski  
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 Col Sanford Richardson USAF (Ret)  
 Col John Root USAF (Ret)  
 Capt George Sacerich USAF (Ret)  
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 Col David Shacklett USAF (Ret)  
 Lt Col Randy Smith USAF (Ret)  
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 MAJ Bob Tuckey USA (Ret)  
 Marilyn Veach  
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 MAJ Josh Welch USA (Ret)  
 Marilyn Weltz  
 Col Bob Wickman USAF (Ret)  
 Maj Paul Winkler USAF (Ret)

## UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

### FEBRUARY

3 Staff Meeting 10am  
 23 Happy Hour 4-6pm Petroleum Club with Texas State Senator Donna Campbell

### MARCH

1 Deadline for MOAA National Scholarship Applications  
 3 Staff Meeting 10am  
 24 Scholarship Awards Luncheon 11am Ft Sam Golf Club with speaker MajGen David Garza USMC (Ret)

### OCT

28 14th Annual Golf Tournament at The Quarry benefitting Warrior & Family Support Center and Alamo Chapter Educational Foundation



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## TAPS

We have received information that the following members have passed away.

We wish to convey our sincere condolences and best wishes to their family and loved ones:

COL Scott Bleichwehl USAF (Ret)  
*(date unknown)*

COL Mark Carrigan USA (Ret)  
 08/10/2021

Mrs. Bobbie Salch  
 2019

## Alamo Chapter Mission & Vision Statement

**Vision:** *To be the primary advocate for the military community*

### Mission:

- Provide information, support and social engagement to members;
- Offer programs and services for the common good of the military community;
- Support MOAA at the national, state and local levels with a powerful voice.

Visit **www.alamomoaa.org** for more info



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Best wishes for the happiest of birthdays to those members born in the month of February.

*If your birthday is in February and your name is not here, then we do not have your birth month in our records. Please call or email us with the information.*

John Bandy, Lt Col USAF Ret  
David Bell, COL USA Ret  
Steven Bergeron, CDR USCG Ret  
Robert Blake, LTC USA Ret  
James Brown III, Lt Col USAF Ret  
Edward Bryan III, LTC USA Ret  
Fred Bucher, LTC USA Ret  
Michael Cermele, Lt Col USAF Ret  
Alan Chalfont, Lt Col USAF Ret  
Russell Coleman, Lt Col USAF Ret  
Edmund Cunningham, LTC USA Ret  
Lewis Curtis, MajGen USAF Ret  
Nathalie Ellis, Col USAF Ret  
John Evans, LTG USA  
Michael Frankel, MAJ USA  
Paul Furukawa, LTC USA Ret  
David Garza, MajGen USMC Ret  
John Gerhart, Col USAF Ret  
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Florence Schulenberg, Mrs.  
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Thomas Shumaker, Lt Col USAF Ret  
Brian Smith, Maj USAF Ret  
James Tucker, LTC USAF Ret  
Thomas Tucker, MAJ USA  
John Williams, COL USA

## Chapter Membership Benefits

Considering joining a MOAA chapter? Debating whether to renew your chapter membership? Talking to a potential new member? Here are some of the key benefits to belonging to one of MOAA's more than 400 chapters:

- **Connections:** When you attend chapter meetings, become active on a committee, or take a prominent leadership role, you will forge lasting ties with other MOAA members who have common professional interests and similar association concerns.
- **Community involvement:** Chapter membership provides opportunities to contribute to your community in a variety of ways, from providing scholarships to local students to supporting causes that support wounded warriors, active duty servicemembers and their families, and veterans in-need.
- **Legislative advocacy:** MOAA chapter members play a critical role in advancing legislation at both the state and national level. This grassroots advocacy is key to MOAA achieving its legislative goals.

## Speaker Bio



Texas State Senator Donna Campbell

Sen. Donna Campbell, M.D. is a board certified emergency room physician and proud parent of four daughters. She lives in New Braunfels and represents Senate District 25, a six county district which includes parts of San Antonio and Austin. She currently serves as Chair of the Senate Nominations Committee, but served as Chair for the Senate Veteran Affairs and Border Security Committee from 2017 until after the 87th Regular Session in 2021. Senator Campbell also serves on the following committees: Finance, Business and Commerce, Health and Human Services, State Affairs, and the special Redistricting Committee.

She has received top honors for her legislative accomplishments from the National Rifle Association, Texas Alliance for Life, Texas Values, and the Texas Veterans Commission. She has been recognized as a Top Courageous Conservative three times in a row by the Texas Conservative Coalition and designated as a Fighter for Free Enterprise by the Texas Association of Business.

A proud woman of faith, Senator Campbell has volunteered with Christian Eye Ministries and performed hundreds of eye surgeries in the West African nation of Ghana. In her spare time, she is an avid hiker and runner.

Senator Campbell was recently elected by her colleagues in the Texas Senate as President Pro Tempore. Should the Governor and Lieutenant Governor be out of state, Senator Campbell will proudly serve as the Governor of the Great State of Texas.

Senator Campbell will be our speaker at the February Happy Hour. See back page for details and rsvp slip.

# Membership Memos

## THANK YOU - Renewing Members:

MG Barbara Holcomb USA (Ret)  
 MG Mike Lyle USA (Ret)  
 COL Wayne Boyd USA (Ret)  
 COL Bruce Brant USA (Ret)  
 COL Matthew Brockway USA (Ret)  
 Col Joseph Brozena USAF (Ret)  
 COL Arthur Bryant USA (Ret)  
 CAPT Thomas Cahill USN (Ret)  
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 Lt Col Bill Render USAF (Ret)  
 Lt Col Randy Smith USAF (Ret)  
 Lt Col Aida Solivan-Ortiz USAF  
 LTC Ralph Talbot USA (Ret)  
 MAJ Mike Frankel USA  
 Maj Joyce Habina USAF (Ret)  
 Maj Bert Thomas USAF (Ret)  
 MAJ Josh Welch USA (Ret)  
 Maj Paul Winkler USAF (Ret)  
 Capt Adele Hopkins USMC (Ret)  
 CPT George Knox USA (Ret)  
 Capt Linda Mitchell USAF (Fmr)  
 Capt George Sacerich USAF (Ret)  
 1Lt Sarah Molstad USAF  
 CWO4 Jay Smith USCG (Ret)  
 Jacqueline DePonte  
 Eleanor Egger  
 Michelle Gray  
 Lu Nix  
 Constance Oliver  
 Lolly Orlowski  
 Paulette Thompson  
 Jeanette Wahl

## Membership Stats

Active Duty 72  
 Surviving Spouse 142  
 Former Military 29  
Retired 676  
**Total 919**

## WELCOME New Members:

Col Joe Becker USAF (Ret)  
 Col Charles Locklin USAF (Ret)  
 Col Sidney Newcomb USAF (Ret)  
 Col Robert Ramirez USAF  
 COL Judith Salmon USA (Ret)  
 COL Jon Schiff USA (Ret)  
 COL Whit Wright USA  
 LTC Ernest Aliseda USA (Ret)  
 Maj Daniel Beard USAF (Ret)  
 MAJ Bill Hertel USA (Ret)  
 LCDR Michael Knoell USN (Ret)  
 MAJ Lowell Mix USA (Ret)  
 CPT Lorraine Ferrell Shipmon USAR  
 Lt Laura Rayburn USCG  
 2LT Elizabeth Foote  
 2LT Greg Foote USA  
 WO1 Michael Taranto USA  
 Margaret Rocke

## Membership Eligibility

Membership in the Alamo Chapter is open to officers who are active duty, former, retired, National Guard and Reserves, commissioned and warrant officers of the eight U.S. uniformed services and their surviving spouses.

Friends of the Chapter are individuals who support the mission and goals of the Chapter, who do not meet the qualifications of regular membership but are interested in supporting the military community. Friends of the Chapter MAY NOT vote, MAY NOT hold office in the Chapter and dues are assessed at the regular member rate.





# Soldiers' Angels

## Providing Monthly Food Assistance For San Antonio Veterans

Veterans in need of food support can register now to get approximately 75 lbs. of groceries, at no cost. Volunteers are always needed to package and hand out the food. Veterans must register ahead of time to receive support.

To register for the upcoming San Antonio Veteran Food Assistance event, go to [www.soldiersangels.org/San-Antonio](http://www.soldiersangels.org/San-Antonio)

This event occurs on the third Thursday of every month:

**The dates for future drives are as follows:**

**Feb 17, Mar 17, Apr 21, May 19, Jun 16, Jul 21, Aug 18, Sep 15, Oct 20, Nov 17, Dec 15.**

**Location:** Cowboys Dancehall, 3030 NE Interstate 410 Loop, San Antonio, TX 78218

To register for future events or inquire about volunteering or sponsoring, email: Jose Maldonado at

[jmaldonado@soldiersangels.org](mailto:jmaldonado@soldiersangels.org)

*This food pantry event is a drive-through and will follow all local and CDC guidelines to provide the safest possible environment for veterans and volunteers. Veterans do not need to get out of the car. Masks are required at all times by everyone on site.*



**WARM FEET FOR WARRIORS**

*Help us collect socks for service members and veterans!*

SEND NEW SOCKS TO:  
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San Antonio, TX 78218

**Visit [SoldiersAngels.org/WarmFeetforWarriors](http://SoldiersAngels.org/WarmFeetforWarriors) to learn more.**

**Warm Feet For Warriors:** The Soldiers' Angel 2022 goal for sock collection is 50,000 by March 31st. As a chapter member, either drop them at the chapter office on Ft Sam (appointment required) or at the Soldiers' Angels facility. You can also order from their wishlist on Amazon and have them shipped directly. You could also set up a collection box at your workplace! Let us know how many pairs you collected and dropped off!

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## Transitioning Tips

### Taking a Gap Year

I chatted with a transitioning service member a couple of weeks ago. He was concerned because he had received a conditional offer of employment. The issue was that it could take up to a year for the employer to process the needed security clearance. First, let me explain a conditional offer of employment. The company wants to hire you. There are legal things that have to be completed before the offer becomes final. These could be a drug analysis, a financial background check or a security clearance.

The curious thing about this gent was that he had a current high-level clearance while on active duty and the new job was in line with his duties in the military. But - the employer must follow consistently the hiring process to stay on the right side of the HR legal concerns. So, the dilemma.

His concern was what to do in the interim. A very logical question. I suggested that he have a frank discussion with the prospective employer. Was there a middle ground that could be pursued? Was there an interim job that didn't require the clearance that he could fill until the process was completed? This would be an advantage to the employer since they might lose this best qualified candidate for the job.

If not, then it's up to the candidate to determine next steps. These could involve continuing to look for another opportunity. An interim employment in a flexible job such as Home Depot might be an option. Another would be volunteering at a nonprofit or simply taking a "gap" year. The gap year could involve relocation, hobbies, travel - whatever. Whatever the decision, it is important to ensure that any certifications or job currency requirements are met. You must stay competitive in your field of expertise.

The final decisions are those of the service member. How does he or she proceed is determined best by him or her. In our discussion in the situation, we reviewed the various options. My final suggestion was for him to speak to the employer. Include him on the discussion as he may have options of his own. Make the best of a very difficult time.

*Kitty*

Kathryn "Kitty" Meyers Lt Col USAF (Ret)  
SPHR, SHRM-SCP  
Chapter Transition Liaison Officer

## Membership Application/Renewal

### *Join/Renew - \$25 Annual Fee*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Service \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Active ☐ Retired ☐ Former ☐ Reserve  
☐ National Guard ☐ Spouse of Eligible Officer  
☐ Friend of the Chapter

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Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Alternate Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

#### Method of Payment

☐ Check (make payable to MOAA Alamo Chapter)

☐ Credit Card Charge my card \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Card number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_ CVV \_\_\_\_\_

Zip code where CC Statement is mailed: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **YES—I would like to help the Alamo Chapter as a volunteer - email me details**

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P.O. Box 340497  
Ft. Sam Houston, TX 78234

Widow(er) Assistance at Blue Skies	Chapter Outreach & Advocacy What is Your Chapter Up To?
<p>As we delve deeper into 2022, I wanted to take a moment to remind everyone of wonderful charities here in town that serve our retired officers and their spouses: Air Force Villages Charitable Foundation (AFVCF) at Blue Skies of Texas (BST) and Army Residence Community (ARC) Foundation. Both communities offer assistance to current residents should they fall on hard times through no fault of their own. While I don't know much more about the ARC assistance program, I wanted to remind folks of the qualifications for assistance should you know of any Air Force officer widow or widower in need.</p> <p>AFVCF allows Air Force officer widow(er)s in need to move into an apartment at BST at no cost to themselves. After a full financial and medical assessment, AFVCF awards the difference between what a widow(er) can afford and what they need to live a full and dignified life here at Blue Skies. They make sure widow(er)s are receiving the proper care by providing bus transportation to appointments and picking up medications at Lackland AFB, if needed, and their needs are reassessed at least annually. All of this is done anonymously so they can live among their peers as an equal.</p> <p>How does a widow(er) qualify? They need to have less than \$26K in cash assets (not including vehicles or jewelry) and be in need through no fault of their own. If you know of an Air Force widow or widower who may be in need, please call Shari Proctor at (210) 568-3355 or send an email to <a href="mailto:shariproctor@blueskiestx.org">shariproctor@blueskiestx.org</a>.</p> <p>Also, be on the lookout for AFVCF in the upcoming Air Force Assistance Fund campaign beginning this March. As one of the four official charities of the Air Force, you will see AFVCF alongside its sister charities: Air Force Aid Society, LeMay Foundation, and Air Force Enlisted Village.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Tom Carter</i> Tom Carter, Lt Col USAF (Ret) Coordinator Blue Skies of Texas Satellite Chapter</p>	<p>Currently, the Alamo Chapter has active representation with organizations in the following areas:</p> <p><b>Career Transition:</b></p> <p>JBSA Transition Alliance</p> <p>University of Syracuse's Institute For Veterans and Military Families career training program called Onward to Opportunity (O2O)</p> <p>Military Spouse Professional Network (MSPN) (US Chamber Hiring Our Heroes Program)</p> <p>San Antonio and Texas Military Spouse Economic Empowerment Zone (MSEEZ) (US Chamber Hiring Our Heroes Program)</p> <p>Alamo Workforce Solutions Hiring Fair (Red, White &amp; You)</p> <p>ETAP Panel at JBSA Randolph pre-retirement events</p> <p><b>Advocacy:</b></p> <p>San Antonio Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee and Senior Enlisted Advisory Committee</p> <p>MOAA Texas Council of Chapters (TCC)</p> <p>Army Chief of Staff's Retiree Council Washington DC</p> <p>JBSA Ft Sam Houston Newcomer Orientations</p> <p>Texas Coalition of Veteran Organizations (TCVO)</p> <p>MOAA Advocacy Campaign</p> <p><b>Community/Veteran Outreach:</b></p> <p>Texas Veterans Commission Veteran Services Advisory Committee and two subcommittees - Homeless Veterans and Suicide Prevention</p> <p>JBSA Retiree Council</p> <p>Veterans of Greater San Antonio Area</p> <p>JBSA Volunteer Advisory Council</p> <p>JBSA Retiree Appreciation Day Planning Committee</p> <p>Texas Veterans Network Advisory Committee</p> <p><b>Want to help find out more about our involvement with these organizations and how we're making a difference?</b> <b>Want to help shape and move the Chapter forward??</b></p> <p>If so, please join us at our next regular monthly chapter business meeting each first Thursday at 10am at the chapter office on JBSA Ft Sam Houston, or via Zoom. Contact us and we'll send you the meeting materials.</p> <p>Tel: (210) 228-9955 (call or text)    Email: <a href="mailto:moaa-ac@sbcglobal.net">moaa-ac@sbcglobal.net</a></p>





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## WANTED!

### Active Duty or Retired Job Seekers

If you would like to be added to the regular email blast that lists job opportunities in **San Antonio and Texas** please contact David Patrick, the Career Transition Coordinator - Texas

[dwpatrick01@gmail.com](mailto:dwpatrick01@gmail.com)

If you are an area **employer** who is interested in hiring career transitioning officers or their spouses or if you are a MOAA member interested in helping a career transitioning officer or spouse as a **San Antonio Networker**, or if you are a **MOAA-AC member Job Seeker**, please contact

**Kitty Meyers LtCol USAF (Ret)**

Chapter Transition Liaison Officer at

[kamconsulthr@gmail.com](mailto:kamconsulthr@gmail.com)



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#### Current Needs:

- 1) Membership Cmte Members
- 2) Marketing & Development Cmte Members
- 3) Historian/Photographer
- 4) Legislative Cmte Members

*Position Descriptions can be found on  
the chapter website under the re-  
sources tab.*

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**Happy Hour 4-6pm**

**Come meet Donna Campbell  
Texas State Senator District 25**

**Petroleum Club**

8620 N. New Braunfels, #700 San Antonio TX 78217

Price includes one complimentary beer/wine ticket,  
finger food buffet with pay-as-you-go bar

**\$18 pre-registration or \$23 at the door**

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**Thursday, March 24 th**

**Scholarship Awards  
Luncheon**

**Speaker: Maj Gen David Garza  
USMC (Ret)**

**Ft Sam Golf Club**

1050 Harry Wurzbach, San Antonio TX 78209

Meet & Greet begins 11am - Lunch served 11:30am

**Buffet TBD**

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