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# President's Message

It's time to celebrate! Springtime is always an exciting time for the Chapter. Our March meeting recognizes and awards scholarships to the ROTC and JROTC cadets. The smiles of the cadets and proud parents is a marvelous thing to behold. MajGen Angie Salinas, Marine retired – though Marines never retire – gave such a super presentation to the audience, especially the young people. Thank you cadets, parents and the ROTC/JROTC staffs for your hard work.

Chapter staff and volunteers are now fanning out into the community to attend the various school events. MOAA awards are being presented to the cadets. Again, what a wonderful experience! Thanks to all who are traveling to the various schools. We are engaging with nine university ROTC programs as well as over 120 high school JROTC programs. Thanks to all!

One of the other significant recognitions that we work on each year is the

United Way Volunteer of the Year Awards and the JBSA Volunteer of the Year Awards. Staff nominated Frank and Stephen Rohrbough to each of the awards. Frank and Stephen are the cochairs of the Chapter Golf Tournament Committee. They have consistently led the team in creating the fantastically successful golf experiences that have generated the funds for the scholarships and our support for the Ft. Sam Houston Warrior and Family Support Center.

The United Way celebration was held at the Tobin Center for the Arts on April 9. David Patrick and I were there in support. A super event. The JBSA event was April 17 at the Ft Sam Houston Family Readiness Center. As always, standing room only in support of all of the volunteers. David, Chapter Board Chair Barbara Ramsey, Board member Ed Marvin, Jim Cunningham and I were there in support. Lots of cheering for the brothers!

Also recognized from other organizations were Alamo MOAA members John Franklin for his work with his work at the Department of Family and Community Medicine at BAMC and Kerry Reyna for her efforts as a civilian worker at JBSA. Alamo MOAA members shine!

These are beautiful examples of our living the MOAA motto of "Never Stop Serving". We are always looking for ways to serve our Alamo MOAA membership and the San Antonio community. If you are looking for ways to get involved, contact Pete Schaub, Volunteer Coordinator, or any of the staff.

Thanks to all who are our volunteers. It's my pleasure to work with you.



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

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Presentation at the JBSA Volunteer of the Year recognition Ceremony

L-R Barbara Ramsey, Kitty Meyers, Stephen Rohrbough, Frank Rohrbough, Ed Marvin & Jim Cunningham.



## News & Notices



# Treats For Troops

Grateful thanks to those who provided treats (pizzas, cookies, fruit etc.) for the wounded warriors at JBSA Ft Sam Houston's Warrior and Family Support Center.

If you were able to give this month on behalf of the Alamo Chapter please call Susie at (210) 654-0351, so we may add your name to our list. Thank you.

Irene Collier
Susan Filipini
John Gibbs
Sue McCarthy
Mac and Lori McDonald
Lolly Orlowski
Brenda Tobey
Susie Tolman

## **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

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 <a href="mailto:kamconsulthr@gmail.com">kamconsulthr@gmail.com</a>

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# Thank You!

to each of our members listed below who have donated a little (or a lot!) to either the Scholarship Fund or Operations.

CAPT Cora Bayle Cox USN (Ret)

LtCol Gene Culp USAF (Ret)

Col Rodney Day USMC (Ret)

CDR Jesse De Loach USN (Ret)

LtCol Kathleen Estrada USAF (Ret)

LCDR Armon Grantham USN (Ret)

Col Peter Hunt USAF (Ret)

COL Edward Lefeber Jr USA (Ret)

COL Fred Lyssy USA (Ret)

COL Douglas McCary USA (Ret)

LtCol Kathryn Meyers USAF (Ret)

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COL John Pavlovsky USA (Ret)

Col Frank Rohrbough USAF (Ret)

LTC Chuck Rose USA (Ret)

MajGen Angie Salinas USMC (Ret)

Col Elizabeth Schuchs-Gopaul USAF (Ret)

Col Lisa Skopal USAF (Ret)

MAJ Patrick Tracy USA (Ret)

LtCol David Walker USAF (Ret)

CAPT John Woody USN (Ret)

## The Retired Military Spouses Club Luncheon Monday, May 20th

Ft. Sam Houston Golf Club

## **Fashion Show**

presented by Ft Sam Houston Thrift Shop

> RSVP to: 210-822-6559 Or Lbraswell2@satx.rr.com by May 15, 2019

# Meet The Team



CAPT Cora Bayle Cox, MSC, USN-Ret.

Captain Bayle Cox will be assisting Stu Myers in the Personal Affairs Section of our Alamo MOAA chapter.

Cora served in the United States Navy for over 30 years, first as a Hospital Corpsman then as a Commissioned Officer in the Medical Service Corps. Prior to retirement late in 2017, Cora was the Executive Officer, Naval Medical Support Training Center, San Antonio, overseeing the medical training for Hospital Corpsman, the largest rating in the Navy.

Cora saw duty in Operation Iraqi Freedom as a Commanding Officer, Health Services Company, Iraq.

In 2008, Cora participated in Operation Enduring Freedom as the Officer in Charge of the Detention Hospital, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba at the height of the Presidential Executive order to shut down the detention facility. She served in various duties in clinics, hospitals, and personnel headquarters in CONUS and overseas. She is a graduate of the National Defense University and Chapman University and a diplomate of the American College of Healthcare Executives.

## **Alamo Chapter**

#### Vision:

To be the primary advocate for the military community.

#### Mission:

- To be a major source of information, support and social engagement for the membership;
- To provide programs and services for the common good of our military community;
- To be a powerful voice supporting MOAA at the local, state and national levels.

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# SBP/DIC Offset

My name is Kathryn Fellure and I am the surviving spouse of LTC Michael Fellure, USA in San Antonio.

I am working to change the law known as the widows tax or SBP/DIC Offset. I am part of a grassroots effort that is working together with other widows, family of widows, military members and retirees to change the law.

We need the help of all Texas MOAA members to make these calls.

I know MOAA had a pamphlet in their magazine a few months ago that they asked you mail out. It helped, but we need more than one letter. We need phone calls to be made now.

S622 and HR 553 are companion bills that will eliminate the offset and restore earned benefits to military widows. These bills will also address the "kiddie tax" issue by allowing widows to change SBP beneficiary to themselves.

The following Texas Congressmen have not co-signed. Our Senators, Cruz and Cornyn have not co-signed.

Please call (Do not leave message. Choose the option to speak to staff member) and say:

**House:** "My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I live in Texas. I am calling on behalf of 7,825 Texas Military Widows. Please ask the Congressman to Co-Sponsor HR553: Military Surviving Spouses Equity Act."

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Babin, Brian R (202) 225-1555

Senate: "My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I live in Texas. I am calling on behalf of 7,825 Texas Military Widows. Please ask the Senator to Co-Sponsor S622: Military Widow's Tax Elimination Act of 2019"

Sen Cruz. (202) 224-5922 Sen Cornyn (202) 224-2934

Thank you!

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# Membership Memos

# THANK YOU Renewing Members:

# WELCOME

**New Members:** 



MajGen Byron Hepburn USAF (Ret) MajGen Angie Salinas USMC (Ret) COL Michael Glode USA COL Gil Richardson USA (Ret) COL Billy Steele USA (Ret) LTC Jennifer Calvin USA MAJ Dennis Ansbvo USA MAJ Victor Hogan USA (Ret) MAJ Robin SantaMaria USAR LT Sarah Handy USN Capt Jeremy Nelson USAF (Frmr) CPT John Tonetti USA 1LT Lisa Auclair USA

1LT Bryan Irby USA

1LT Suwaro Gassama USA

CW3 Mike Gonzales USA (Ret)



#### **NEVER STOP SERVING!**

## WE NEED YOU TO VOLUNTEER

for positions on your Chapter Leadership Team (Member spouses welcome!)

#### **Current Needs:**

- 1) Secretary (NO taking of minutes)
- 2) Surviving Spouse Coordinator
- 3) Membership Cmte Members
- 4) Advertising Team Members
- 5) Community Outreach Members
- 6) Golf Planning Cmte Members
- 7) Historian
- 8) Army Residence Community Satellite Liaison
- 9) Active Duty Liaison
- 10) Editor

#### Are You

- 1. Considering joining a MOAA chapter?
- 2. Debating whether to renew your chapter membership?
- 3. 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.

## MOAA Alamo Chapter? - Who Are We?

MOAA is a non profit veterans' association dedicated to maintaining a strong national defense and ensuring our nation keeps its commitments to currently serving, retired, and former members of the uniformed services and their families and survivors.

The Alamo Chapter is one of the more than 400 local organizations affiliated with national MOAA. We support the national organization through membership recruitment, veterans transition initiatives and legislative support. We are active in our community doing transition activities for JBSA and the military/veteran community; state legislative support via Texas Coalition of Veterans Organizations (TCVO) and the Texas Council of Chapters (TCC).

## PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE ALAMO CHAPTER'S 8th ANNUAL **SUMMER CELEBRATION AND HOEDOWN!**

Newcomers welcome! You don't have to be a MOAA or Alamo Chapter member to attend!!

When:	Friday, June 21, 2019
Where:	Holiday Inn Airport (Not the Holiday Inn Express nearby) 77 NE Loop 410 San Antonio, TX 78216 Phone: 210-349-9900
Time:	6:30 – 7:30p Cocktails (Cash Bar only – ATM onsite) 7:30p Dinner & Dancing
Dinner:	Wild Wild West Buffet: BBQ Brisket, Baked Chicken Breast, Tender Baby Back Ribs, Coleslaw, Potato Salad, Pasta Salad, Fresh Garden Greens, Ranch Style Beans, Corn On The Cob, Pickles, Onions, Jalapeno Cornbread. Dessert Selection of Pecan Pie, and Apple Pie. Coffee & Tea.
Dancing:	Music by Two For The Road
Dress:	Wear your denim skirt/jeans, boots, bandana or hat and all!!
Cost:	\$40.50/person (pre-pay only) (Special table can be arranged for members of the Solitaires).
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MOAA-AC, P. O. Box 340497, Ft. Sam Houston, TX 78234 Call 210-228-9955 with questions

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Please remember their support and bear these companies in mind when choosing your service provider.

# May Luncheon Speaker Bio



Russell J.
"Russ" Handy
Aviation
Director
City of San
Antonio

In January 2017, Russell J. Handy was appointed to serve as the city's Aviation Director. In this role, he oversees the day-to-day operations of the San Antonio Airport System, made up of the San Antonio International Airport and Stinson Municipal Airport.

Combined, the airports account for an economic impact of more than \$5.1 billion annually and support approximately 100,000 jobs in the region.

Mr. Handy brings a strong focus on strategic planning initiatives to enhance the customer experience, shepherd the airports' capital improvement projects and increase the international airport's air service, both domestic and international.

A retired Air Force Lieutenant General, Mr. Handy previously oversaw

multiple commands and held numerous leadership roles in his 34-year military career including oversight of air fields and large-scale command operations.

Most recently, Handy served as Commander of Alaskan Command, Eleventh Air Force and the Alaskan Region of the North American Aerospace Defense Command, at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska. He was the senior military officer in Alaska, responsible for the integration of all military activities in the Alaskan joint operations area, synchronizing the activities of more than 21,000 active-duty and reserve forces from all services and the training and readiness for all major US Air Force installations and personnel in Alaska, Hawaii and Guam. His responsibilities included planning and execution of all Homeland Defense operations within the theater, including security and civil support actions.

Mr. Handy is a commercial pilot with more than 4100 flight hours in multiple civil and military aircraft. He has participated in numerous combat operations and deployments, including Operations Desert Shield, Desert Storm, Desert Fox, Southern Watch, Noble Eagle, Iraqi Freedom and New Dawn.

Russ and his wife, JoAnn, have two adult children.

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#### **Medical Minute**



## **Solitaires**



#### Blister Care

When a water blister develops the first step is to avoid what caused it. Then the other is the matter of protecting the blister until your skin heals.

If the blister isn't too painful leave unbroken skin over a blister to act as a natural barrier to infection. Protect an intact blister by covering it with a bandage. If more protection is needed cut a piece of cushioned padding, such as moleskin, into a doughnut shape and place the pad so that it encircles the blister. The pad can then be covered by a breathable bandage.

For painful blisters you can drain the blister with these steps:

- Clean. Wash your hands and the blister with soap and water.
- Swab the blister with rubbing alcohol or iodine and sterilize a clean needle the same way.
- Puncture the blister with the needle by poking a few holes near the blister's edge. Let the fluid drain but keep the skin intact as a protective barrier.
- Protect the blister. Apply an ointment such as vaseline or zinc oxide and cover the blister with a bandage.
- Keep an eye on things. Check the blister every day for signs of infection. You can usually cut away dead skin after a few days using sterilized tweezers or scissors.

Some home remedies include applying the gel from an aloevera plant to the wound. Some farmers recommend pouring powdered black pepper on the wound. Apply an ice pack as soon as possible. And cover with a band aide.

If you have a fever blister on your lip, as soon as you feel the tingling, add Capsaicin ointment several times. It burns slightly, but no blister. Some recommend Vitamin E ointment to the fever blister several times a day.

Source: Mayo Clinic Health Letter March 2019

Col Irene Collier (Ret)

#### **Decoration Day**

Today's Memorial Day is a federal holiday on the fourth Monday of May. The long history of this day began during our Civil War in the 1860's. During the war, people of the South recognized their dead soldiers. This became more organized in 1865 with events occurring throughout the south at the end of May with the decorating of the graves of the fallen.

In 1868 by General John Logan, Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, established a national day of remembrance for those who lost their lives in service to our country. This Grand Army was an organization of Union veterans. The date of May 30 was chosen not to honor a specific battle but to honor the dead. General (later President) James Garfield gave the speech at the First Decoration Day at Arlington National Cemetery. After the speech, 5,000 people participated in decorating the 20,000 graves in the cemetery.

In 1882, the preferred name of the day had become Memorial Day rather than Decoration Day. States followed by recognizing the day of remembrance. By 1890, most of the Northern states celebrated May 30 as a national holiday. Southern states continued to honor their dead on a separate

date, referring to it as the Confederate Memorial Day.

There are many myths regarding the origination of Decoration Day. In 1968, President Lyndon Johnson signed a law recognizing Waterloo NY as the "birthplace" of the celebration 100 years prior. Historians have since debunked this myth and the mystery continues.

The Uniform Federal Holiday Act was signed in 1968 establishing dedicated versus calendar dates for federal holidays. The fourth Monday in May was designated as Memorial Day. Congress enacted the National Moment of Remembrance Act in 2000 requesting everyone stop at 3pm in honor and remember those whose who died while serving.

Celebrations today are nationwide. The primary event is the formal honoring with the laying of the wreath at Arlington's Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. National cemeteries throughout the country, including our Ft Sam Houston National Cemetery, are decorated with American flags from the Boy and Girl Scouts and with wreaths from Wreaths Across America. Ceremonies, picnics and parades highlight the day.

Col Grene Collier (Ret)

## Ft Sam National Cemetery Memorial Day Ceremony

Monday May 27, 2019

Music prelude begins at 0900 - Ceremony begins at 0930 Alamo Metro Chorus of Sweet Adelines Intl Choir

323d Army Band "Fort Sam's Own" Mission Brass Quintet Guest speaker to be confirmed

Honors to the Military will be performed by playing and singing each of the five service songs.

There will be three volleys of rifle fire and the sounding of Taps.

## Close Assault 1968 - Vietnam Reenactment

Texas Military Forces Museum 3038 West 35th Street, Austin, TX presents

#### **Close Assault 1968**



A Vietnam Reenactment Event at Camp Mabry May 25 and 26, 2019 at 11am and 2pm each day Remember the true meaning of Memorial Day with this look back at the Vietnam War. Close Assault 1968 honors the service and sacrifice of America's veterans.

The free program features members of the Texas Military Forces Living History Detachment exhibiting the uniform and equipment worn by the American soldiers during this conflict. In addition, the two-day event will provide guests the opportunity to witness firing demonstrations and watch an attack on a small bunker with an M113.

The event will take place RAIN or SHINE, bleachers will be available for seating.

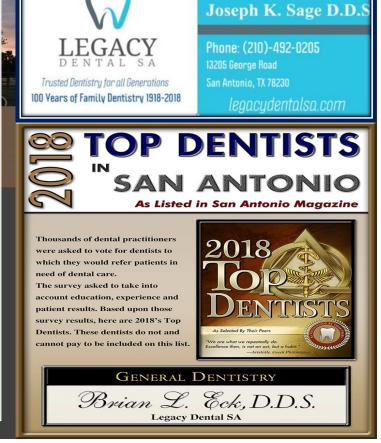
Showtimes are 11 am and 2 pm each day. The show runs about 1.5 hours each. The museum will be open from 10 to 4 pm both days. Both the program and admission to the museum are FREE. Enter by 35th St, photo ID required.

Visit www.TexasMilitaryForcesMuseum.org for more details or call 512.782.5659

Submitted by Greg Bartlett of Austin

Brian L. Eck D.D.S





# 2019 ROTC & JROTC Scholarship Winners

The Scholarship Committee, chaired | Scholarship by Peter Hunt with Dave Anderson (recused from scoring), Jim Connor, Jim Cunningham, Kitty Meyers chose the winners of the Torrey, the JROTC and the Chapter scholarships.

If you would like to assist on this committee next year please contact the office.

The ROTC winners were chosen by their unit instructors.



The featured speaker at the awards luncheon held on 25 March was Major General Angie Salinas USMC (Ret).

#### **Col Clarence T. Torrey Community** Service Scholarship \$500



Alexa Villalpando

Alexa attends James Madison High School and plans to study accounting Rice University.

#### **JROTC Scholarships \$500**

The BG Robert Herring JROTC Scholarship

#### Jorge Estrada

Attends Mission High School and plans to study Engineering at South Texas College

2. The Col Edmond McCarthy JROTC

#### Lidia Villareal

Attends Mission High School and plans to study Nursing (BSN) at UT **RGV** 

#### Maj Jim Cunningham Chapter Scholarship \$500



**Rachel Anderson** 

Attends Brandeis High School and plans to study Business Administration at Texas A&M University. Rachel's father, Col David Anderson USAF (Ret) is a current chapter member.

#### College ROTC Award \$500

- 1. Amber Chambers UT Austin (Air Force)
- 2. Tyler Pak UT Austin (Army)
- 3. Jeffery Burds UT Austin (Navy)
- 4. Charles Kendley Texas State (Air Force)
- 5. Mark Merki Texas State (Army)

#### College ROTC Award \$1,000

1. Mohamed Almousa - UTSA (Air Force) (The Edward & Ruby Marvin ROŤC Scholarship)



2. Camille Poblete - UTSA (Air Force)



3. Sierra Butcher -UTSA (Army)



4. Jose Gutierrez -TAMU Kingsville (Army)



5. Hannah Wright - St Mary's (Army)



6. Casey Dake -TAMU Corpus Christi (Army)



7. Rubie Escobedo - UT RGV (Army) (no pic)

The Alamo Chapter Educational Foundation is a 501 (C) 3 Non Profit that funds our scholarships. No monies are used for administrative purposes, 100% of your donation goes to the scholarship. The administrative expenses are borne by the Chapter Operations Account. We welcome your donations to our Scholarship Fund at any time by mailing in a check or donating online at our chapter website www.alamomoaa.org.







# 12th Annual MOAA-AC Golf Tournament

Military Officers Association of America - Alamo Chapter
Benefiting

# JBSA Ft Sam Houston Warrior and Family Support Center & Alamo Chapter Educational Foundation

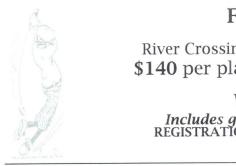
Friday, August 30, 2019

River Crossing Golf Club, 500 River Way, Spring Branch, Tx **\$140** per player (limit 120 players - sign up early!)

#### Womens & Mens Divisions!

Includes green fees, cart, goodie bag, lunch & dinner REGISTRATION & LUNCH begin 11:00am - Shotgun Start 1pm

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#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Tournament Co Chairs: Frank & Stephen Rohrbough Frank: 703-868-8006 Stephen: 210-262-7026

MOAA Office: 210-228-9955 Email: moaa-ac@sbcglobal.net

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# **Transitioning Tips**

# Stop saying you want to "Get your foot in the door"

One of the most gratifying things about working with transitioning veterans is sharing my personal transition story and the lessons I have learned since retiring from the military with those who are coming behind me.

One opinion I often share is not something you *should* do, but rather something I recommend you *stop* doing; I recommend removing, "get my foot in the door" from your vocabulary. We all hear this phrase and speak these exact words regularly. However, before uttering this phrase again, consider you might be sending the wrong message.

"I'm looking for an opportunity to *get* my foot in the door with a great company like yours."

Most have said this to a recruiter or hiring manager at least once. This is your way of telling an employer that

you know you are not entitled to a huge salary and great leadership responsibilities as soon as you join their organization. You recognize the job market is tremendously competitive and you may need to come in at a level lower than your current compensation and scope of leadership. You know it might take some time to "learn the ropes" and assimilate into a new culture. You are OK "paying your dues" while you increase your business acumen and learn how to make a meaningful impact in a corporate environment. You are the perfect candidate, with a great attitude, and you communicate this by telling anybody who will listen that you don't expect to be hired as a Vice President- you just want to "get your foot in the door." While your intentions are noble, you might be shooting yourself in that very foot before getting it in the door - look at this from the employer's perspective.

Understand *why* the manager is hiring - there is a hole on her team and she is not operating at 100%. She can't accomplish her mission fully without hiring another person. Consider the time she spends reviewing resumes and conducting interviews; this is time away from her work and it is increasing her backlog.

If she includes members from her team in the interview process it compounds the time spent away from high-priority work. This is not optimal; her team is not firing on all cylinders and she genuinely hopes the next candidate she interviews (YOU) is the one - the perfect fit for her team. She wants to hire you and get her team back on track, at 100% and once again focused on her business priorities. She wants YOU to WIN.

When you tell her you really hope to "get your foot in the door" there is a (Continued on Page 6)

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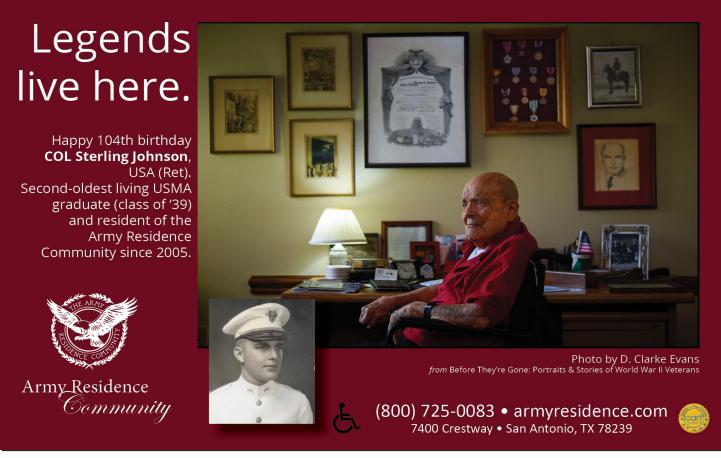
# What Has Your Chapter Done For You Lately?

During the month of March:

- The Alamo Chapter participated for the first time in "BigGiveSA" on March 28, 2019. We raised just over \$1000 for our scholarship program for ROTC and JROTC Cadets.
- Participated in MOAA monthly Transition Liaison call.
- Staffed the Chapter membership table at San Antonio College Veterans Resource Fair.
- Participated in Big Give Kick-Off at Hemisfair Park.
- Represented National MOAA and Alamo Chapter at the 2 -day National Guard of Texas Convention in Corpus Christi - staffed MOAA membership exhibit
- Sent out weekly email blasts composed of 500-600 pages of transition information and job opportunities in Texas.
- 31 Chapter members volunteered over 309 hours for the good of the community.
- Golf Committee met to continue planning the 12th Annual Tournament to be held on Aug 30, 2019 at River Crossing Golf Club in Spring Branch.
- Coordinated MOAA Award presentations to over 131 San Antonio and South Texas area JROTC and ROTC units for members to present the MOAA award and certificate.

- The chapter was represented at a meeting of the Concerned Veterans of America (CVA) where I Veteran medical Issues obtained through the VA Health System were discussed.
- The Chapter was represented at a Knights of Columbus meeting at St. Marks Catholic Church of which Patriotism is stressed in all KOC members.
- Distributed Community events and information via the chapter Facebook page (MOAA Alamo).
- Members provided well over \$150 worth of snacks to Warrior & Family Support Center JBSA Ft Sam Houston





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#### **Events Calendar**

General membership events are **bolded** and Volunteer Leadership Team events are *italicized*, though Members are always welcome!

Ongoing Events: Members provide items for the Treats For Troops program delivering cookies, snacks, phone/gift cards and/or personal care items to the residents of the Warrior & Family Support Center JBSA Ft Sam Houston.

Call Susie Tolman for details (210) 654-0351

#### MAY

- 2 Staff Meeting 10am Chapter Office
- 7 Solitaire's Luncheon 11am
- 8 Victory Day in Europe
- 10 Military Spouse Appreciation Day
- 12 Mother's Day
- 17-18 Texas Council of Chapters Quarterly Meeting
- 18 Armed Forces Day
- 19 Solitaire's Sunday Brunch 11 am Randolph Parr Club
- 25-26 Vietnam Reenactment Camp Mabry 11am & 2pm
- 27 Memorial Day
- 30 Chapter Luncheon 11am Army Residence Community with speaker LtGen Russ Handy, Aviation Director at San Antonio Airport.

#### JUNE

- 4 Solitaire's Luncheon 11am
- 6 Staff Meeting 10am Chapter Office
- 6 D-Day
- 11 Board Meeting 11:45am Chapter Office
- 12 Women Veterans' Day
- 14 Flag Day & US Army Birthday
- 16 Father's Day
- 16 Solitaire's Sunday Brunch 11 am Randolph Parr Club
- 21 Summer Celebration Hoedown 6:30pm Holiday Inn Airport

#### **JULY** (No Staff Meeting or Chapter Luncheon)

- 2 Solitaire's Luncheon 11am
- 4 Independence Day
- 12 Blue Skies Satellite Chapter Meeting
- 21 Solitaire's Sunday Brunch 11 am Randolph Parr
- 27 National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day

#### **AUGUST**

- 1 Staff Meeting 10am Chapter Office
- 4 Coastguard Birthday
- 6 Solitaire's Luncheon 11am
- 7 Purple Heart Day
- 14 Victory in Japan Day
- 16-17 Texas Council of Chapters Quarterly Meeting
- 18 Solitaire's Sunday Brunch 11 am Randolph Parr Club
- 22 Chapter Luncheon 11am RBFCU HQ Live Oak
- 30 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament 1pm River Crossing Golf Club, Spring Branch.

#### **SEPTEMBER**

- 2 Labor Day
- 3 Solitaire's Luncheon 11am
- 5 Staff Meeting 10am Chapter Office
- 5 Board Meeting 11:45am Chapter Office
- 9 Grandparents Day
- 11 Patriot Day
- 15 Solitaire's Sunday Brunch 11 am Randolph Parr Club
- 18 Air Force Birthday
- 20 Happy Hour 4-6pm Holiday Inn Airport
- 21 POW/MIA Recognition Day
- 29 Gold Star Mother's Day

#### **OCTOBER**

- 1 Solitaire's Luncheon 11am
- 3 Staff Meeting 10am Chapter Office
- 12 Columbus Day
- 13 US Navy Birthday
- 20 Solitaire's Sunday Brunch 11am Randolph Parr Club
- 24 Chapter Luncheon 11am Blue Skies of Texas

#### **Transition Tips**

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good chance she will hear, "Once I am on your team I will be looking for other opportunities in the organization and I plan to jump ship as soon as something that looks better comes along." She wants to hire a candidate that is fully committed to helping her team achieve greatness - a person who sees her open position as a destination, not a revolving door. When you jump ship, she must go through the entire hiring process all over again.

This is obviously not the message you want to communicate; choose a different way to express your willingness to learn and grow in the organization and show your eagerness to join her team.

Good corporate leaders, just like good military leaders, want to develop their people so they advance and

succeed. They won't expect you to sit in the same role forever; they know you are ambitious, capable and have goals for your career. They will, however, expect commitment and loyalty form you. This is no different than military leaders you may have served under.

Think about this when speaking to recruiters and hiring managers in organizations you hope to work for; think about the employer's perspective and find a better way to communicate your primary objective is to contribute to the team and help them achieve their business objectives. There are better ways to say you want to "get your foot in the door." Try something like this instead:

"I am excited to have the opportunity to work for a company that values professional development - a place where I can learn, grow and contribute to the mission over a long-term, meaningful career. I recognize that this is a peopledevelopment company, which is one of the things that most attracted me to your organization."

At my company, we like to say, "Bloom where you are planted." This is to say, give 100% to be the best you can be in your current role. Don't focus on what you think your next job should be. Do this and you will build a great personal brand in the organization and doors will open for you doors you may not even know exist. Doesn't that sound a lot better than "getting your foot in the door?"

> Sean Passmore Sean Passmore, MAJ, USA (Ret) USAA Military Hiring Advisor Chapter Transition Liaison Officer

# Save The Date

#### Friday Jun 21 **Summer Celebration &** Hoedown

Holiday Inn Airport 6:30pm

## Friday Aug 30 **Annual Golf Tournament**

River Crossing Golf Club 1pm

#### **Thursday Sept 19**

Happy Hour Holiday Inn Airport 4-6pm

#### **Thursday Oct 24**

Chapter Luncheon Blue Skies of Texas West

#### **Thursday Nov 21**

Chapter Luncheon Ft Sam Golf Course

#### **Thursday Dec 12**

Christmas Luncheon Ft Sam Golf Course



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Thursday May 30, 2019
Chapter Luncheon

Army Residence Community 7400 Crestway, San Antonio, TX 78239

#### Spkr: LtGen Russ Handy (USAF (Ret) SA Aviation Director

Registration & Meet n Greet from 11-11:30am - Lunch served 11:45am

#### Menu

A) Beef Stroganoff B) Crispy Ranch Chicken Buttered Egg Noodles, Capri Vegetable Blend Seasonal Fruit Salad, Assorted Rolls Bread Pudding w/ Rum Sauce Coffee, tea or water, honor wine bar

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**Friday June 21, 2019** 

# Summer Celebration & Hoedown

Holiday Inn Airport (Not Holiday Inn Express)
1050 Harry Wurzbach, San Antonio TX 78209

#### **Dancing to Two For The Road**

Cocktails from 6:30-7:30pm followed by Dinner and Dancing

#### Wild Wild West Buffet

BBQ Brisket, Baked Chicken Breast, Tender Baby Back Ribs, Coleslaw, Potato Salad, Pasta Salad, Fresh Garden Greens, Ranch Style Beans, Corn On The Cob, Pickles, Onions, Jalapeno Cornbread. Dessert Selection of Pecan Pie and Apple Pie. Coffee & Tea.

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