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President's Message

Greetings as we see the last of our wacky South Texas winter and look forward to Spring. As seasons go, we are in the midst of another season – the political one. Our nation is hyperactive, especially in these times. It's hard to find a quiet time that doesn't touch on politics. The electronic connectivity doesn't help.

MOAA's primary mission is to be the advocate for the military community. This is expansive, considering we are there for active-duty, veterans, retirees, spouses, Guard, Reserve. I know I'm missing someone along the way. It includes the eight uniformed services – Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard, NOAA (National Oceanic and Aeronautic Administration), USPS (US Public Health) and now, the Space Force.

However, to do this effectively, we must walk the narrow line of advocating for the issues. This means we must leave the “politics” of the parties aside. If we lean one way or the other, we will lose our credibility on the issues.

MOAA is recognized as one of the

top advocates for the military and military issues. Folks on the Hill recognize us as the experts on issues. This position continues when Jim Cunningham, Alamo Chapter Legislative VP, goes to Austin. He must focus on the issue and not on the political party. This maintains issue credibility no matter the legislative representative being contacted.

I address this issue to affirm the policies of MOAA and the Alamo Chapter. We are non-partisan. We focus on the issues and advocate for the concerns of the military on both sides of the aisle.

Our goal is to walk that steady, straight line as we go through 2022 and the heightened political environment. We are advocating for you and the issues that most impact you. Thank you for your support.

Kitty

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

Changes to Disabled Veteran License Plates



Senate Bill 792 requires that **as of Jan. 1, 2022, anyone** parking in a disabled parking space must have a license plate or a disabled parking placard that features the International Symbol of Access (ISA) pictured here. A disabled veteran license plate will not feature the ISA unless the ISA is applied for and approved.

Texans with disabled veteran plates wanting to use disabled parking spaces beginning in 2022 may apply for a disabled parking placard or for a new disabled veteran license plate with the ISA if the veteran meets the eligibility requirements for an ISA after Jan. 1, 2022. Applicants may submit their paperwork at their local county tax assessor-collector's office. Current placards will remain valid; however, the new requirements must be met at time of renewal.

Eligibility for Disabled Parking Placards or License Plates with the International Symbol of Access
Placard and plate eligibility is based on a medical condition that meets the legal definition of a disability.

"Disability" means a condition in which a person has:

- Visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with correcting lenses.
- Visual acuity of more than 20/200 but with a limited field of vision in which the widest diameter of the

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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!

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 Col Edd Barnes USAF (Ret)
 Aina Blake
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 COL Darrell Childers USA (Ret)
 Col Ada Conlan USAF (Ret)
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ROTC Award Presenters Needed!

Want to present the MOAA Award to an ROTC cadet at your local high school or your college alma mater?

The Alamo Chapter presents awards to over 130 high school JROTC cadets and 14 college ROTC units from Austin to south Texas.

Awards are mailed to the units ahead of time and consist of a medal and certificate, signed by our Chapter President. A presenter needs simply to coordinate details with the school and present the award to the cadet, along with many other veteran service organizations. No speech required!

For the first time since 2019, most of our awards presentations will be in-person, so you have the opportunity to make an impact on outstanding young Americans. The entire process should take no more than a few hours of your time, as some schools include a luncheon or dinner along with their awards program.

If you are interested in serving as a presenter, please contact our Awards and Scholarships Committee Chairman, Col (ret) Pete Hunt by or texting 210-867-0418 or email:

peterhunt2012@gmail.com

Thanks in advance!



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 Russell Sanders USAF (Ret)
 1/8/22

License Plates

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visual field subtends an angle of 20 degrees or less.

- Mobility problems that substantially impair a person's ability to move around; these problems can be caused by:
 - Paralysis
 - Lung disease
 - Uses portable oxygen
 - Cardiac deficiency
 - Wheelchair confinement
 - Arthritis, neurological, or orthopedic condition
 - Foot disorder
 - Other medical condition causing a person to use a brace, cane, crutch or other assistive device.

A parking placard or plate with the ISA is only valid when being used by the person with the disability or someone who is driving the person with the disability.

It is a violation of state law to use the placard or plates for a disabled parking spot without the person with the disability in the vehicle. People who misuse disabled parking placards are subject to fines of up to \$1,250 and/or up to 50 hours of community service.

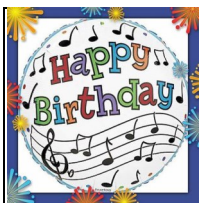
Upcoming Events

MARCH

24 Scholarship Awards Luncheon
 11am Ft Sam Golf Club with speaker MajGen David Garza USMC (Ret)

APRIL

7 Staff Meeting 10am
 20 Volunteer of the Year Ceremony
 1pm JBSA Ft Sam Houston
 21 Chapter Luncheon at the Army Residence Community with speaker Candy Martin, President of Texas American Gold Star Mothers
 23-24 Great Texas Airshow JBSA Randolph 9am-4:30pm



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

If you have a birthday this month 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.

Kurt Andersen-Vie, LTC USA Ret
 Thomas Atkinson, LTC USAF Ret
 Jamie Bazil, COL USA
 Rick Benson, MAJ USA
 Kathleen Estrada, Lt Col USAF Ret
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 Richard Elgin, CAPT USN Ret
 Jim Finch, LTC USA Ret
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 Joel Gage, MAJ USA
 Jerry Gonzales, LTC USA Ret
 Joyce Habina, Maj USAF Ret
 Daniel Haley, Major USAF Ret
 Clare Helminiak, RADM USPHS Ret

Charlotte Koch, LCDR USN Ret
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 Jeanne Rigg, Mrs.
 Jim Roberts, Col USAF Ret
 David Root, Col USAF Ret
 Felix Santiago, COL USA Ret
 Dennis Shumaker, Col USAF Ret
 Dale Vande Hey, Col USAF Ret
 Peg Viney, Mrs.
 Richard Walling, RADM USPHS Ret
 Edith Weidemann, LTC USA Ret
 Bob Wickman, Col USAF Ret

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



**Major General
David C. Garza,
USMC (Ret)**

Major General Garza was born in Los Fresnos, Texas and began his career in the United States Air Force in 1969 as a Heavy Equipment Engineer. In 1970 after his military occupational skill training he deployed to the Republic of South Vietnam for a 19 month tour of duty. In September 1971 he returned to the United States and in 1973 he closed out his Air Force career with an Honorable Discharge at the rank of Sergeant. Following his discharge from the Air Force he attended Texas A&M University and in 1977 graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree.

In 1978 he returned to military service in the United States Marine Corps as a Second Lieutenant of Infantry. In 1999 he earned a Masters Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College in Newport Rhode Island.

In an exciting and rewarding 34-year journey including combat tours in Desert Shield/Desert Storm and twice in Afghanistan plus a tour in Latin America, Major General Garza served in world-wide assignments as a Commander, Director, and Staff Officer. His most important personal awards are his Combat Action Ribbons and The Order of Saint Maurice in the rank of Primicerius presented to him by the National Infantry Association for his selfless service, integrity, and professional competence to the infantryman and the nation. He retired from active service after 38 years and is now President and CEO of Lead Your Ship LLC, a Leadership Consulting LLC providing leadership fundamentals to high school and college students and enabling wounded warrior events and transitioning veterans. He lives in New Braunfels, Texas with his wife Carrie and their Golden Retriever Alex.

Membership Memos

THANK YOU - Renewing Members:

RADM Mariann Stratton USN (Ret)
 Brig Gen Karen Rankin USAF (Ret)
 Brig Gen David Young III USAF (Ret)
 CAPT Charles Belcher USN (Ret)
 Col David Brooks USAF (Ret)
 COL Darrell Childers USA (Ret)
 Col John Clatanoff USAF (Ret)
 Col Ada Conlan USAF (Ret)
 Col Bruce Creller USA (Ret)
 COL James Dodson USA (Ret)
 Col Jonathan Duncan USAF (Ret)
 COL Janice Edgerson USA (Ret)
 Col David Enos USAF (Ret)
 Col John Gerhart USAF (Ret)
 Col Chetan Kharod USAF (Ret)
 COL Charles Lalli USA (Ret)
 Col Les Long USAF (Ret)
 COL Fred Lyssy USA (Ret)
 COL Richard Marple USA (Ret)
 COL Barbara Ramsey USA (Ret)
 Col John Root USAF (Ret)
 Col Steve Senia USAF (Ret)
 Col Edward Sheeran USAF (Ret)
 Col Lisa Skopal USAF (Ret)
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 Col Stephen Wright USAF (Ret)
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 LTC Ed Bryan III USA (Ret)
 Lt Col Wanda Carter USAF (Ret)
 Lt Col Carla Clatanoff USAF (Ret)
 LTC Marcia Collins USA (Ret)
 Lt Col Carolyn Friedle USAF (Ret)
 LTC Raymond Isaia USAF (Ret)
 LTC Ron Kettler USA (Ret)
 CDR Bob LeJeune USN (Ret)
 Lt Col Roy Mackrell USAF (Ret)
 LTC Walter Meyer USA (Ret)
 Lt Col Richard Murray USAF (Ret)
 LTC Joseph Regan USA (Ret)
 Lt Col Stephen Rohrbough USAF (Ret)

Lt Col Gerald Swinarsky USAF (Ret)
 LTC Stephanie Trochak USA (Ret)
 Lt Col James Whitener USAF (Ret)
 LCDR Kevin Crockett USN (Ret)
 MAJ Frank Gudatt USA (Ret)
 LCDR Karen Overall USN (Ret)
 CPT Gregory Bartlett USA (Fmr)
 CWO Carlos Holt USMC (Ret)
 CWO Charles Thompson ARNG (Fmr)
 Carol Anne Cain
 Idolina Araceli Davis
 Ann Furlow
 Mary Gossage
 Sue McCarthy
 Seiko Munger
 Marilyn O'Hair
 Helga Parks
 Judith Schindler
 Dian Sherrod
 Margot Stryker
 Sheila Wilson

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.

Membership Stats

Active Duty 75
 Surviving Spouse 143
 Former Military 29
Retired 660
Total 907

WELCOME New Members:

COL Lucas Brennecke USA (Ret)
 COL Christopher Coglianese USA
 COL Quill Ferguson USA (Ret)
 Col Glenn Hover USAF (Ret)
 Col David Rodriguez USAF (Ret)
 LTC Leo Bell USA (Ret)
 Lt Col Cleve Rodriguez USAF
 LTC Allen Schmidt USA (Ret)
 Lt Col Glenn Schneider USMCR (Ret)
 MAJ Derek Richter USAR
 1LT Dillon Watkins USA (Ret)
 2LT Guillermo Gomez USA
 2LT Luke Jennings USA
 2LT Duncan Perry USA
 Jeanette Brooks
 Catherine Key

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



Soldiers' Angels

Providing Monthly Food Assistance For San Antonio Veterans

Veterans in need of food support can register 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

This event occurs on the third Thursday of every month:

The dates for future drives are as follows:

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

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

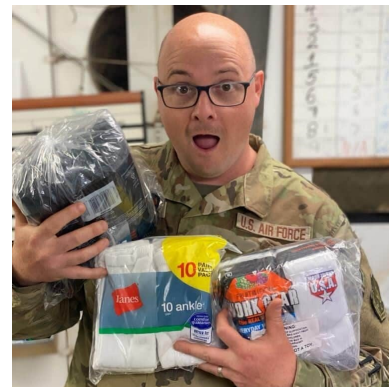
The Soldiers' Angels goal for this year's sock collection is 50,000 by March 31st. And the Alamo Chapter is doing its part!

The Blue Skies of Texas satellite of the Alamo chapter is placing collecting boxes at both east and west campuses and residents may drop their donated socks there, or you can stop by the at the chapter office on Ft Sam (appointment required) or directly at the Soldiers' Angels facility at 2895 NE Loop 410 #107, San Antonio (in the strip center adjoining Academy Sports & Outdoors on 410 & Perrin Beitel). Email them first before you head over there as many staff work from home: Send an email to

inkind@soldiersangels.org

You can also order socks from their wish list on Amazon and have them shipped directly, or set up a collection box at your own workplace!

Do let us know how many pairs you collected and dropped off or had shipped!



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Transition Tips

I have the opportunity to speak at the Onward to Opportunity cohort orientations. It's a fun hour of fielding questions on transitioning careers. The folks ask questions on all sorts of concerns and issues. There are no boundaries. We talk about the job market, resumes, education, all sorts of burning questions. As the questions are usually of the same vein no matter the session, I usually have the answer.

This last one was the exception. A participant, I'll name Charlie, asked a question about a new offering of the Texas Veterans Commission that was new to me. He'd seen an article about this program that assisted veterans interested in the energy industry. My response was "I'll get back to you." I asked that he send me more information on his query. It was now my turn to do some research.

After reviewing the materials he sent, I contacted Tom Palladino, executive director of the Texas Veterans Commission. I know Tom through my various activities and my participation on the TVC Veterans Advisory Committee. Tom was great. He called that afternoon. We chatted about the initiative, explained how new the program was and referred me to James, a TVC local rep. I now had a local connection.

I called James. He explained that he had a training meeting on the calendar for the next day. Perfect timing to get the latest on this new program. I then provided Charlie with a virtual introduction to James. They connected and now Charlie has a local connection on not only that program but the vast variety of services available through the TVC.

One question led to all of this. So, the lessons learned. If you have a question, don't hesitate to ask. The second lesson is to value and expand your network. You will connect to other networks that can lead to the unknown. Think of a spider web spreading out.

Kitty

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

Previously published Transition Tips can be found on the Alamo Chapter website under the Transition Services tab at www.almomoaa.org

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

Email Address _____

(Please provide a personal email **without a ".mil" domain**, if available.)

Address _____

City _____

State ____ Zip _____

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 _____

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Zip code where CC Statement is mailed: _____

Signature _____

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

Mail to: MOAA Alamo Chapter TX16
P.O. Box 340497
Ft. Sam Houston, TX 78234

<h2>Health, Benefits & Welfare</h2>	<h2>Chapter Outreach & Advocacy</h2> <h3>What is Your Chapter Up To?</h3>
<p>VA Unclaimed Money Monies may be owed to certain current and former policyholders or their beneficiaries whom the VA has been unable to locate in order to make payment. This money represents death awards, dividend checks, and premium refunds that were mailed to policyholders. These payments were returned to VA by the Post Office because they could not be delivered. VA holds this money until they can locate the policyholder. Some of these payments have been held for years. To check if you are owed unclaimed insurance funds Veterans and their families should go to: https://www.insurance.va.gov/UnclaimedFunds. <i>Source: VVA Web Weekly</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">****</p> <p>Inflammation When the body's immune system detects something harmful like an invading bacteria or virus, white blood cells and other components of the immune system send out chemical messages that cause the surrounding tissue and organs to swell and release chemicals. This process is called inflammation. Inflammation is a natural response to infection or injury, but certain foods can also cause it. People who suffer from chronic inflammation often experience fever, fatigue, pain in joints and muscles, skin rashes, headaches, depression, gastrointestinal problems such as stomach aches and diarrhea.</p> <p>In addition to being uncomfortable for those experiencing them firsthand, they can lead to serious health issues when left untreated, including heart disease risk factors such as high blood pressure and diabetes. Foods that worsen inflammation include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sugary Drinks Processed Foods Red Meat Alcohol Sweets (Desserts/Candy) Fried Foods <p><i>Source: Ziggie Social</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">****</p>	<p>Currently, the Alamo Chapter has active representation with organizations in the following areas:</p> <p>Career Transition:</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 & You)</p> <p>ETAP Panel at JBSA Randolph pre-retirement events</p> <p>Advocacy:</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>Community/Veteran Outreach:</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 style="text-align: center;">Want to help find out more about our involvement with these organizations and how we're making a difference? Want to help shape and move the Chapter forward??</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 style="text-align: center;">Tel: (210) 228-9955 (call or text) Email: moaa-ac@sbcglobal.net</p>



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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

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- 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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		Col Peter Hunt	CAPT Bill Whiting
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Thursday, March 24th

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

Menu

Luncheon Buffet: Two entrees (roast beef & lemon/rosemary crusted chicken), roasted vegetable medley, rosemary and herb roasted potatoes, classic house chopped salad, coffee and ice tea.

Cost per person: Pay In Advance \$28; Pay At the Door \$32

Enclosed: \$ _____

RSVP by 4pm Monday 21st March
Reservations not cancelled by noon Tuesday 22nd will be forfeited/billed
Non member Officers & guests are welcome with paid reservations

Name _____

Guest(s): _____

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Thursday, April 21st

Chapter Luncheon

Speaker: Candy Martin
Texas President for American Gold Star Mothers

Army Residence Community
7400 Crestway San Antonio TX 78239

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

(Menu & cost TBD)

(No cost for ARC residents but they must register)

Enclosed: \$ _____

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