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President's Message

Today was a fun day. One of the best things about the role of president is the people I meet.

It was also filled with opportunities to collaborate. Today was one of those days. Kathie Estrada, David Patrick, Felix Santiago, and I spent this gloriously beautiful fall day playing golf in the NCOA (Noncommissioned Officers Association of America) tournament at Ft. Sam Golf Course. The golf was fun. The award we won wasn't necessarily the best – we finished last.

However – We did make lots of great connections and renewed others that had been put on hold with the pandemic. We met the commander of VFW Post 8541 and chatted about the services that they provide their members.

Another new connection was the new executive director of the San Antonio Coalition of Veterans and Families (SACVF). Toney Fuentes update

ed us on the initiatives to aid the homeless veteran community of San Antonio. We reminisced about the past director LtCol (retired) Hector Villarreal. Hector was a major force in the veteran community. Tony has big shoes to fill.

I also connected with some of our comrades from the JBSA Transition Alliance. This is the weekly gathering of military, government, nonprofit and employers that focus on collaborating resources for transitioning military. It was great to put a face to Amarilys Silva and Wendy Banks of the JBSA Skillbridge team rather than an electronic version through Zoom.

There were many others that we met and were able to support. Special thanks to Joe Terry, Membership Director for the NCOA, for the invitation to play. We've collaborated in the past for the benefit of all the military community. It's a strong partnership that will continue to represent the community as we move forward.

I encourage you to seek out such opportunities. Remember the MOAA slogan – “Never Stop Serving!”

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

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Last Place Finishers in the NCOA Tournament!
L-R Felix Santiago, David Patrick, Kitty Meyers, Kathie Estrada

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 Operations. We really appreciate it—and every dollar helps!

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 CAPT Gene Carnicom USPHS (Ret)
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 Lt Col Kathie Estrada USAF (Ret)
 MajGen David Garza USMC (Ret)
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 Maj Gen Bruce Smith USAF (Ret)
 LTC Cynthia Spencer USA (Ret)
 CAPT William Whiting USN (Ret)
 LTC Machielle Wood Denmon USA (Ret)



TAPS

We have received information that the following member has passed away.

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

Lt Col Don Miller USAF (Ret)
 6/3/2020
 LTC Joe Newell USA (Ret)
 5/20/21
 Mrs. Gode Roth
 7/27/21
 LTC Vernon Gray USA (Ret)
 8/17/21

Need Golf Practice?



A friend of the chapter, Donel Pascual, has a 7 hole putting course with pitching, chipping and a sand bunker in his backyard located at 3711 Wilderness Bluff, San Antonio, TX 78261.

He is offering it for free practice time for any veterans and golfers with disabilities.

Contact him at (210) 848-8007 or dnspascual@gmail.com



A sincere **Thank You** to all who participated in this year's Big Give. A record \$6,453.00 was raised for the Education Foundation.

Annual Business Meeting

The Chapter's Annual Business Meeting will be held on November 18 at the Chapter Luncheon at the Petroleum Club.

The membership present will vote to elect its Officers for the next 2 years as well as approve proposed revisions to the Chapter By-Laws.

If you are unable to attend the meeting a mail-in ballot for Chapter Elections can be found on Page 3 and details of the proposed amendments are on Page 5.



Save The Date



JBSA Ft Sam Houston
Retiree Appreciation Day

Virtual Event
 December 11
 10am - Noon

Election Ballot

Military Officers Association of America – Alamo Chapter For the term January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023

In accordance with the Bylaws of the Alamo Chapter, the Nominating Committee offers the following members of the Chapter to serve in the positions indicated. Elected officers must be members of the Military Officers Association of America as well as members of the Alamo Chapter. Currently serving members are noted by the symbol (I). Please mark ballot by circling the nominee name or writing in another candidate who must be a qualified member of the chapter.

For **President:** (I) Lt Col Kitty Meyers USAF (Ret)

Write-in: _____

For **President-Elect:** (open)

Write-in: _____

For **Vice President, Programs:** (I) Col David Patrick USAF (Ret)

Write-in: _____

For **Vice President, Membership, Recruitment & Retention:** (I) COL Felix Santiago USA (Ret)

Write-in: _____

For **Vice President, Legislative Affairs:** (I) MAJ James Cunningham USA (Ret)

Write-in: _____

For **Secretary:** (open)

Write-in: _____

For **Treasurer:** (I) Col Brad Barnhart USAF (Ret)

Write-in: _____

Ballots must be received by November 5, 2021

Mail: Military Officers Association of America – Alamo Chapter
Inspectors of Election Committee
P.O. Box 340497
San Antonio TX 78234-0497

Email: lskopal@ymail.com



Membership Memos

THANK YOU Renewing Members

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 CDR Thomas Pettit USN (Ret)
 Lt Col Winston Shaffer USAF (Ret)
 LTC Cynthia Spencer USA (Ret)
 Maj Gregory Hood USAF (Ret)
 LCDR Joseph Memolo USN (Ret)
 MAJ Carol Neimes USA (Fmr)
 Capt Alex White USAF (Fmr)
 1LT David Donald ARNG (Fmr)
 WO1 Christopher Thompson USA
 Andrea Martin

WELCOME New Members

Col Joseph Bock USAF (Ret)
 Col Erik Bovasso USAF (Ret)
 Col Kevin Brown USAF (Ret)
 Col Cherron Galluzzo USAF
 Col Fred Solis (Ret)
 LTC Kevin Brown USA (Ret)
 LTC Carolyn Dukes USA (Ret)
 Lt Col Warren Tate USAF (Ret)
 MAJ Michael Frankel USA
 Maj Dawn Makynen USAF (Ret)
 MAJ Joe Pena USA (Ret)
 2LT Nate Collard USA
 2LT Corey Kirk USA
 CW3 Preston Leingang USA (Ret)
 CWO Charles Thompson ARNG
 (Fmr)
 Sheila Wilson

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

Want to shape and move the Chapter forward??

If so, please feel free to join us at our next regular monthly chapter business meeting on the first Thursday of each month at 10am.

Due to the pandemic, meetings are held via Zoom but normally they take place at the chapter office on JBSA Ft Sam Houston.

Contact the office by email for the zoom link.

moaa-ac@sbcglobal.net

Alamo Chapter (MOAA-AC) 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.

Membership Stats

Active Duty 223
 Surviving Spouse 161
 Former Military 61
Retired 828
Total 1273

Summary of Proposed Bylaw Amendments

On September 16, 2021, at their quarterly meeting, the MOAA-AC Board of Directors amended the Chapter Bylaws dated November 21, 2019. These amended Bylaws will be presented to the membership for approval at the November 16th Annual Meeting/Luncheon.

Here is a synopsis of the amendments:

- **Article II, Membership, para H:** Establishes “Friends of the Chapter” which allows individuals (who otherwise do not qualify under the three classes of Chapter membership) who support the mission and goals of the Chapter and who are interested in supporting our military community to be part of the Chapter and its activities and events – but without vote and not able to hold office.
Rationale: To expand the reach and visibility of the Chapter in the Community.
- **Reformatted some Articles throughout – particularly Article III, Meetings.**
Rationale: So that the paragraphs and verbiage flowed better and did not duplicate other sections in the Bylaws.
- **Article VI, Board of Directors: Officers & Directors, para A. 3:** Changed the term of the officers on the Board of Directors from 1 year to 2 years.
Rationale: Provides more stable continuity on the Board in the fulfillment of their governance responsibilities.
- **Article VI, Board of Directors: Officers & Directors, para E. 7:** Added that all directors complete and submit a conflict-of-interest form annually.
Rationale: To protect the Chapter’s interest when it is contemplating entering into a transaction or arrangement that might benefit the private interest of an officer or director of the Chapter or might result in a possible excess benefit transaction.
- **Article XI, Chapter Funds, para D. 3:** Clarified the disbursement of Chapter funds in the event of the final dissolution of the Chapter.
Rationale: To specifically designate that the funds be disbursed to one or more tax exempt organizations whose purpose objectives are similar to the Chapters.
- **Article XIII, Insurance:** Added that every director, officer or employee of the Chapter be indemnified by the Chapter against all expenses and liabilities.
Rationale: To better protect the Chapter and its assets.

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210-259-9867

For a copy of the current bylaws, please visit www.alamomoaa.org/documents/by-laws.pdf, or call the office and you will be mailed/emailed a copy. Voting will held during the Annual Business Meeting luncheon on Thursday Nov 18th at the Petroleum Club. See RSVP slip on back page.



MOAA-AC 13th Annual Golf Tournament on November 5, 2021

at the Quarry Golf Course in San Antonio

The tournament raises funds for . . .

The USO Warrior & Family Support Center on JBSA Ft Sam Houston which provides a neutral, home-like place for families and patients to gather after long and often painful days of treatment.

The Chapter's JROTC and ROTC Scholarships (Alamo Chapter Educational Foundation) which help towards the cost of college for promising local high school students as well as those ROTC students already in college. Scholarships are awarded to the children and grandchildren of all military (all ranks). Since its inception this tournament has raised over \$135,000 for its beneficiaries . . . and we'd love your help to raise even more!

If you have been a donor in the past, we are very grateful for such support and we need your help again this year. If you have not provided support in the past, please consider doing so.

Here are the ways you can help:

- ♦ Be a **sponsor** -- select one of the many options listed on the reverse.
- ♦ ~~Be a golfer -- submit an entry form for yourself or a team using the registration form on the reverse.~~ **(All player spots have been filled and a wait list created)**
- ♦ Be a **contributor** -- donate an entry fee of \$150 and give a Warrior an opportunity to play free of charge, or donate any dollar amount to help us defray expenses and allow us to give more to the cause.
- ♦ Be a **supporter** -- provide goodie bag items (preferably a minimum of 150, or gift certificate(s) to be used as a tournament prize.
- ♦ Be a **volunteer** -- help during the planning phase as a committee member and/or during the tournament with registration, as a course assistant, contest judge, awards assistant, etc.

Your support of this fundraising event will be greatly appreciated. Please feel free to spread the word to any of your family, friends, co-workers and fellow golfers who may desire to support this worthy cause. If you wish to contact us about a sponsorship, donations, prizes, or being a volunteer, please call Frank Rohrbough at (703) 868-8006 or call our MOAA Office at (210) 228-9955.

Sign up or donate on line at our website and pay using your credit card. Go to

www.alamomoaa.org or contact office. The tax ID for the 501(c)3 Alamo Chapter Educational Foundation is 82-1635522 .

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES STILL AVAILABLE:

Hole Sponsor \$325

Closest To The Pin \$325

Longest Drive \$325

Warrior Player Sponsor \$150

Monetary donation in any amount

Thank you.

Frank Rohrbough

Frank Rohrbough
Co-Chair, Golf Committee

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Soldiers' Angels



Don't get stuck with piles of leftover Halloween candy this year! Donate your excess candy to Soldiers' Angels Treats for Troops.



Soldiers' Angels will get this candy to our Troops and Veterans for a sweet treat!



For more info & locations to donate:
www.SoldiersAngels.org/TreatsForTroops

Treats for Troops Registration Now Open

Register your business or organization to be a Halloween Candy Collection site! Collect excess Halloween candy from your community and we'll make sure that candy is shared with troops around the world and veterans across the country. Registration to become a candy collection site is open now through October 31, 2021 at 11:59 pm CT.

Christmas Adopt-A-Family Registration is now open



Military kids experience so many uncertainties.

Gifts during the holidays shouldn't be one of them.

Looking to spread holiday cheer? Or perhaps you are a military/veteran family that could use some extra support through the holiday season? Register to support a family or have your family supported by the Soldiers' Angels Adopt-A-Family Program! Qualified families will have gifts provided for each child as well as a grocery gift card to put towards a holiday meal.

To either receive or provide support register at:
<https://soldiersangels.org/holiday-adopt-a-family/>



Solitaires

Medical Minute

Wishing a speedy and full recovery to Col Irene Collier, USAF (Ret), author of the Solitaires and Medical Minute columns.

October Speaker Bio



Col. Dan Merry, USAF (Ret)
Vice President, Government Relations,
MOAA

Merry, a native of Southern California, enlisted in the Air Force in 1982 as a Personnel Specialist. He was commissioned as a distinguished graduate through AFROTC in 1989, earning his degree in marketing from Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff Arizona. He also holds a master's degrees in human resources management and military arts and science.

After his commissioning, Merry returned to the personnel career field and served at every level of the Air Force, with joint duty in Turkey and Iraq. He was the Careerfield Manager for Personnel, Manpower and Services, and was selected as the Air Force's chief of compensation and member of the 10th Quadrennial Review of Military Compensation. He led Compliance and Nuclear Surety Inspections across Europe, commanded a Support Group of 1,700 military and civilians in England, and served at the Pentagon twice. Merry also led the Personnel Planning Cell for U.S. Air Forces, Europe, during the Kosovo War and Humanitarian Operations and deployed to Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, and other locations throughout the Middle East.

Merry is a graduate of Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell AFB, Alabama; and was the senior Air Force fellow at the RAND Corporation in Santa Monica, Calif. At the time of his retirement in 2016 he was the Commander of Air Force Mortuary Affairs Operations (AFMAO) responsible for DoD's sole Port Mortuary at Dover AFB, Del. His military decorations include Legion of Merit (2), Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal (9), Joint and Air Force Commendation Medals and campaign recognitions from nearly all conflicts dating back to the early 1990s.

Merry has served as the Vice President of Government Relations at MOAA since August 2016.

Transitioning Tips

Recruiting Post Pandemic

One of the key resources for ideas for these articles is the Society for Human Resources (SHRM) website (www.shrm.org). As a member of SHRM, this site was a go-to so many times when I worked. Now in retirement and collaborating with transitioning folks, it's still a great resource. Here's a review of an article that I found on the world of recruiting as we move out – hopefully – of the pandemic.

Roy Maurer posted a great article entitled “4 Talent Acquisition Trends with Staying Power Beyond the Pandemics”, date August 23, 2021. In the article, he discusses the state of finding talent in these turbulent times. I'm sure there are so many more dynamics going on in these times. Here are his four.

- **RETURN TO THE FUNDAMENTALS.** Technology has been a wonder to revolutionizing how we connect and process talent into to a hire. His emphasis was to simplify the process and make it more transparent. He discussed the value of using employee referrals. While the numbers say that unemployment is still high, the number of applicants can either be overflowing or sparse. Rethinking on how to connect with the right candidate is ongoing. **FOR THE TRANSITIONING MILITARY:** Don't become frustrated with the process. Create your brand and effectively communicate why you are the best candidate for the position.
- **WORK REMOTELY.** Workers have discovered the advantages of working remotely. Whether the elimination of commuting to work or even living in a more desirable location vs where the “job” was located. Some have enjoyed the lifestyle of working from home. It does answer the question of childcare for some. Many more companies are developing the policies and practices, even finding the advantages of such concepts, to enable remote working. **FOR THE TRANSITIONING MILITARY:** You've had the advantage of such work option during the pandemic. More and more positions are posted with the remote work option. Use this to your advantage when exploring the position.
- **FINDING CANDIDATES.** The work environment is still in a state of flux. Companies can either be buried in applicants or they are getting any. Many companies have been using signing bonuses to entice the candidate. These will stop at some point. Companies are turning to creative ways to get the word out about their open positions. **FOR THE TRANSITIONING MILITARY:** This is an opportunity to really focus your job search. Target your search and effectively communicate your brand. Show why you are the best candidate.
- **HIRING FOR DIVERSITY.** Diversity creates an environment of innovation and creativity. An increasing number of employers are embracing hiring a diverse workforce as a sound business decision. **FOR THE TRANSITIONING MILITARY:** You have a decided advantage based upon your experiences. This is your opportunity to talk about these during the interview process, showing the breadth of your experiences and how these would be advantageous to a prospective employer.

Change is such a norm in the civilian workplace. The rate of change is accelerating. Take advantage of this and find success in finding the right job for you. Best of luck.

Kitty

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



Soldiers' Angels Provides 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.

San Antonio veteran food assistance is provided monthly to veterans in need by Soldiers' Angels during the Veteran Mobile Food Distribution event. 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:

October 21, November 18, December 16.

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

To register for future events or inquire about sponsoring, email: Steven at jsmith@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.

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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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**NEVER STOP
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WE NEED YOU TO VOLUNTEER



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

Current Needs:

- 1) Secretary (No minute-taking required)
- 2) Surviving Spouse Coordinator
- 3) Membership Cmte Members
- 4) Solitaires Coordinator
- 5) Historian/Photographer

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

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Thursday October 28, 2021

****In Person****

Chapter Luncheon



Dan Merry, Col USAF (Ret)
Vice President, MOAA Government Relations

Petroleum Club

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

Meet & Greet begins 11am - Lunch served 11:30am
Limited to 50 people

Buffet

Huge salad selection with 2-3 entrees and all the trimmings

Cost per person: Pay In Advance \$26; Pay At the Door \$30

Enclosed: \$ _____

RSVP by 4pm Monday 25 October

Reservations not cancelled by noon Tuesday 26th will be forfeited/billed
Non member Officers & guests are welcome with paid reservations

Name _____

Guest(s): _____

Call (210) 228-9955 to make/pay your reservation or send check made
payable to MOAA-AC to P.O. Box 340497, Ft Sam Houston, TX 78234
Or contact us by email moaa-ac@sbcglobal.net to hold a reservation or
reserve and pay on-line at www.alamomoaa.org



Thursday November 18, 2021

****In Person****

Chapter Luncheon & Annual Business Meeting

Honorable Judge Lori Valenzuela
4th Court of Appeals

Petroleum Club

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

Meet & Greet begins 11am - Lunch served 11:30am
Limited to 50 people

Buffet

Huge salad selection with 2-3 entrees and all the trimmings

Cost per person: Pay In Advance \$26; Pay At the Door \$30
Enclosed: \$ _____

RSVP by 4pm Monday 15 November

Reservations not cancelled by noon Tuesday 16th will be forfeited/billed
Non member Officers & guests are welcome with paid reservations

Name _____

Guest(s): _____

Call (210) 228-9955 to make/pay your reservation or send check made
payable to MOAA-AC to P.O. Box 340497, Ft Sam Houston, TX 78234
Or contact us by email moaa-ac@sbcglobal.net to hold a reservation or
reserve and pay on-line at www.alamomoaa.org