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The Big Give 2022 - Here's why!

Sometimes you give to causes because you know it is a cause you feel good about, but yet, you remain unsure of who really benefits long-term from your generosity.

One of our active-duty Alamo Chapter Army Officers recently shared with us her story and how a MOAA Scholarship and Leadership Award played a role in leading her toward success as a newly promoted lieutenant colonel in Special Operations. Please enjoy her story below.

On Friday, September 23rd, the Alamo Chapter will participate again with Big Give SA for our Educational Foundation. Please remember us on that day along with your other favorite non-profits who benefit from your gift. Your donations to the Alamo Chapter during Big Give SA will support scholarships as well as the USO Warrior and Family Support Center, located adjacent to Brooke Army Medical Center at Ft. Sam Houston.



U.S. Army Lt. Col. Elizabeth Marlin, intelligence officer, says she is proud to be a member of the Alamo Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA).

“MOAA invested in me early in my career, and its effects were long lasting. I am proud to be a member of the Alamo Chapter and appreciate my MOAA experience,” said Marlin.

The recipient of two Bronze Stars, Marlin first learned of MOAA while attending Arkansas State University. It was there, she received a leadership award from the Northeast Arkansas Chapter as an ROTC cadet. A MOAA scholarship helped the young cadet Marlin graduate as a distinguished military graduate with a Bachelor of Science in Criminology. She went on to achieve two master's degrees, one from the National Intelligence University in Strategic Intelligence and a Master of Arts in Military Operations from the Army Command General Staff College.

Currently, she is transitioning to her next duty assignment with Special Forces Europe J-2, Stuttgart, Germany. This rising star has a long list of accomplishments and awards to include service with the 101st Airborne Division, which included a 14-month deployment to Baghdad in 2008.

Your contribution to the Alamo Chapter's MOAA Educational Foundation ensures today's cadets have the same opportunities for success as former ROTC cadet, now Lt. Col. Marlin. Please give generously toward

helping build tomorrow's leaders.

Go to **www.theBigGiveSA.org** and search for Military Officers Association of America - Alamo Chapter

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!

(Note: Members giving to the Golf Tournament will be listed in a special thank you posted after the event).

LTC Anton Blieberger USA (Ret)

LTC George Bradley USA (Ret)

LTC Alava Brownfield USA (Ret)

Diane Burkett

Lt Col Tom Carter USAF (Ret)

Col Karen Currie USAF (Ret)

COL Rodney Day USA (Ret)

CDR Jesse De Loach USN (Ret)

LTC Marc Girard USA (Ret)

Col Vernon Handel USAF (Ret)

COL Arthur Jackson USA (Ret)

Lt Col Dale Johnson USAF (Ret)

COL Robert Johnson USA (Ret)

COL David Malave USA (Ret)

Doris Malmberg-Long

CDR Paul Martin USN (Ret)

LTC Walter Meyer USA (Ret)

Lt Col Kathy Rafferty USAF (Ret)

LTC Chuck Rose USA (Ret)

MajGen Angie Salinas USMC (Ret)

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COL Mary Svetlik USA (Ret)

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USA (Ret)

Col Stephen Wright USAF (Ret)

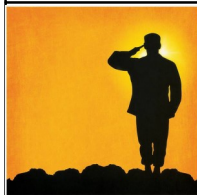
Honor Flight seeking women who served in military

Honor Flight Austin is looking for women who served in the military from 1941-1979 for an Honor Flight. This would be a two-day trip to Washington, D.C. that will take place on October 21-22 (Friday and Saturday).

If you or anyone you know fits this criteria, please go to honorflightaustin.org. This is a free flight at no cost to you. Parking is free.

Also, they will take World War II, Korea, Vietnam and Vietnam era and Cold War veterans on later flights. Just go to honorflightaustin.org to sign up.

If you have questions call Bill at 512-577-4847 for more information.



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:

Mrs. Moragh Klinginsmith

5/24/22

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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.alamomooa.org for more info



August Luncheon -
The Guide Dogs of
Texas

A very enjoyable and informative presentation was given by The Guide Dogs of Texas.

Many thanks to JC Clapsaddle, (Col, USAF Ret) for bringing his furry friends and their handlers to meet and greet with us!

Military Officers Association of America - Alamo Chapter
presents
14th Annual MOAA-AC Golf Tournament
Sponsored by

Donegan Burns Foundation
Benefiting



Warrior and Family Support Center
San Antonio

&



Educational Foundation

Friday, October 28, 2022

The Quarry Golf Course, 444 E. Basse Rd, San Antonio, Tx
\$150 per player (limit 120 players)
(\$10 early bird discount if registered & paid by August 28th)

Womens & Mens Divisions!

Includes green fees, cart, goodie bag, lunch & Awards dinner

REGISTRATION & LUNCH begin 11am - Shotgun Start 1pm

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Title Sponsor \$10,000 (Donegan Burns Foundation)

Tournament named in your honor, Club House Banner, Promotional recognition, Tee Box signage, Green Fees & Cart for 8 players.

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Hospitality Cart Sponsor \$750

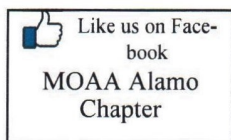
Hole Sponsor \$325

Closest To The Pin \$325

Longest Drive \$325

Warrior Player Sponsor \$150

Monetary donation in any amount \$ _____



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

MOAA-AC is a private organization. It is not part of the Department of Defense or any of its components and it has no governmental status.

Player 1 Name: _____
Shirt Size: _____ Mens Ladies (circle one)
Email: _____

Player 2 Name: _____
Shirt Size: _____ Mens Ladies (circle one)
Email: _____

Player 3 Name: _____
Shirt Size: _____ Mens Ladies (circle one)
Email: _____

Player 4 Name: _____
Shirt Size: _____ Mens Ladies (circle one)
Email: _____

Participation implies agreement to use photos in any PR materials

Super Ticket \$50 per person: Includes 2 Mulligans, 2 Beverages, Raffle Drawings, Scratch Off Game, Closest to Pin Contest, Putting Contest, Hole in One Contest, Drawing for Shoot out for \$100,000 - 50/50 split.

Sponsor Name: _____
Email: _____
Tel: _____
Credit Card #: _____

Exp Date: _____ **Billing Zip Code:** _____
CVV: _____ **Tel:** _____

Golf Fee Amt: \$ _____ **Donation Amt:** \$ _____ **SuperTicket Amt:** \$ _____

Sponsorship Amt: \$ _____ **Total Amount:** \$ _____

Make checks payable to: MOAA-AC and mail to: P.O. Box 340497, Ft. Sam Houston, TX 78234. If you prefer, you may also register and/or donate by credit card on our website: www.alamomoaa.org. Call Trish at 210-228-9955 for questions on tournament registration, or to pay/donate by phone with your credit card (Mon-Thurs 1-4pm).

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Membership Memos

THANK YOU Renewing Members:

LTG Richard Graves USA (Ret)
 MajGen Angie Salinas USMC (Ret)
 COL John Alvarez USA (Ret)
 COL Luke Brennecke USA (Ret)
 COL Gary Bushover USA (Ret)
 COL Cynthia Campbell USA (Ret)
 Col Karen Currie USAF (Ret)
 COL Rodney Day USA (Ret)
 Col Vernon Handel USAF (Ret)
 Col Peter Hunt USAF (Ret)
 COL Gary Hyde USA (Ret)
 COL Arthur Jackson USA (Ret)
 Col Anthony Johnson USAF (Ret)
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 LTC Marc Girard USA (Ret)
 Lt Col Joseph Golembiewski USAF (Ret)
 Lt Col Dale Johnson USAF (Ret)
 Lt Col Robert Johnson USAF (Ret)
 CDR Jonathan Lovejoy USN (Ret)
 CDR Paul Martin USN (Ret)

LTC Walter Meyer USA (Ret)
 LTC Terrance Robinson USA (Ret)
 LTC Joseph Robles USA (Ret)
 LTC Chuck Rose USA (Ret)
 Lt Col Ralph Stearman USAF (Ret)
 LTC Machielle Woods Denmon USA (Ret)
 Maj Greg Hood USAF (Ret)
 Maj Chad Jespersen USAF
 MAJ Thomas Tucker USA (Ret)
 LCDR James Walker USN (Ret)
 CPT Thomas Ullman USA (Ret)
 Patricia Keller
 Irene Nikolewski

WELCOME New Members:

Col Jeffrey Butler USAF (Ret)
 Col Ronald Henderson USAF (Ret)
 COL Lester Letterman USA (Ret)
 Col Horace Phillips USAF (Ret)
 COL Rob Ramonas USAR
 COL Joan Ruttle-King USA (Ret)
 CDR Michael Files USN (Ret)
 MAJ John Losch USA (Ret)
 Maj Robert Rayfield USMC (Ret)
 MAJ Marie St Louis-Okaro USA
 CPT Uchenna Akukalia USA
 CPT Dennis Ceder USAR (Fmr)
 Capt Slava Harlamor USAF (Fmr)
 1LT Dominique Livas USA
 2LT Briana Cisneros USA
 2LT Augustus Hedges USA
 2LT Rachel Innocenti USA
 2LT Lexis Rios USA
 Jaye Larsen

Get A Free Year on Us! Every Member is a Recruiter!

The MOAA-Alamo Chapter will provide current members **a one-year free membership renewal** for every 3 paid members recruited.

Increased recruitment of new paid members enhances our **Voice** at National, State, and local legislative or governmental bodies as well as with local private organizations.

The Alamo Chapter continues to be the largest in numbers in Texas and an integral part of advocacy efforts for initiatives, legislation, and programs affecting the entire military community of Active, Reserve, National Guard, Surviving Spouses, and Families. Moreover, the Chapter provides a continuous flow of essential community information, serves service-members in transition to civilian careers, as well as supports scholarship opportunities for future military officers and civilian leaders.

***You can make a difference!
Never Stop Serving!***



Membership Stats

Active Duty 93
 Surviving Spouse 136
 Former Military 33
Retired 640
Total 902



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:

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, please email: Jana Evans at

jevans@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.

Care Packages

Soldiers' Angels are in urgent need of care package items in order to keep up with the increase in requests for support. They are also in need of financial donations to help cover the cost of shipping care packages and other items.

A donation of \$25 will ship a care package to a deployed service member. Below is a sample list of needed items for care packages or you can also shop their Amazon Wish List and have items sent directly to their warehouse.

(https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/ACFKJY0QQL5C/ref=hz_ls_biz_ex) Copy and paste this into your web browser.

Hygiene Items: Deodorant; Toothpaste, Toothbrush, Shampoo/Conditioner, Body Wash, Wet Wipes, Female Hygiene Products, Hand Warmers, Manicure Set, Back Scratchers, Socks (no tube socks), Hand Sanitizer, Cleaning Cloths/Spray (for glasses/goggles)

Snack Items: Protein Bars, Jerky or Meat Sticks, Sunflower Seeds, Freeze-Dried Fruit (Single Serve), Single-Serve Peanut Butter or Nutella, Single-Serve Cereals (Boxes or Cups, no bags as they will crush easily), Pop-Tarts, Nuts/Trail Mix (Single Serve Preferred), Tuna Salad Kit w/ Crackers, Chicken Salad Kit w/ Crackers, Powdered Drink Mixes like Crystal Light or Sports Drinks (Single Serve), Gum, Candy.

Down-Time Items: Small Balls or Footballs, Puzzle Books, Travel-Sized Games, Coloring Books, Pens/Pencils, Colored Pencils, Pencil Sharpeners.

Please AVOID the following items as they will not be able to include them: No aerosols or sprays in cans, No Pork or Pork By-Products (Slim Jims are OK), Tobacco or Alcoholic Beverage Products, Bars of Soap, Anything packaged in glass, Sharp Objects (Knives, Tools, Safety Pins, etc.), Pornography or other culturally sensitive material, Bagged Potato Chips (they are too easily crushed), Unwrapped Candies, Nail Polish, Perfume or Cologne.

If you're collecting items to provide support for troops or purchasing items locally, you can ship all of your items to their headquarters here in San Antonio. You will be responsible for all shipping costs.

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Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics (PACT) Act

As many as one-in-five veterans living in America today could see new health care coverage and disability benefits under the toxic exposure legislation, but some veterans will see help sooner than others. The package would cost almost \$280 billion over the next decade and radically transform how the Department of Veterans Affairs analyzes and compensates victims of military chemical and radiation exposure incidents.

On 10 August 2022 President Joe Biden signed into law the most comprehensive toxic exposure legislation supporting Veterans and their families. Veterans Affairs officials have already begun preparing staffing and implementation plans in anticipation of the new requirements. The bill will provide 3.5 million veterans exposed to toxins with the following healthcare and compensation benefits once signed into law.

- Concede exposure to burn pits and toxic environments;
- Provide healthcare based on toxic exposures;
- Add 24 burn pits and toxic exposure-related diseases;
- Add hypertension as a presumptive disease associated with Agent Orange Exposure;
- Provide a framework for establishing presumptive diseases in the future;
- Expand radiation-risk activities to include veterans who participated in radiation cleanup at Eniwetok Atoll and Palomares, Spain;
- Including Thailand, Cambodia, Laos, Guam, American Samoa and Johnston Atoll as conceded locations for Agent Orange Exposure; and
- Provide retroactive benefits for Dependency and Indemnity Compensation claims.

The burn pit provisions of the PACT Act have received the most attention in recent months. Tens of thousands of veterans from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan have developed rare respiratory conditions and cancers in the years following their deployments, believed caused by poisonous smoke from massive burn pits used to dispose of a host of military waste. But because scientific monitoring was not done at many sites, conclusively linking the smoke to veterans' ailments has been a difficult task.

The PACT Act codifies recent changes in how the Department of Veterans Affairs approaches those kinds of health claims, lowering standards for proof and offering presumptive status for some rare illnesses believed caused by the burn pits. Advocates said those fundamental changes could have wide-ranging and positive impact on veterans for years to come, developing a more patient-friendly approach to how VA approaches any toxic exposure incidents. But they also say the direct benefits for groups that have been excluded in the past are more urgent. Those individuals include not only troops who recently separated but some who served more than five decades ago.

PACT Act and VA Benefits link: <https://www.va.gov/resources/the-pact-act-and-your-va-benefits/>

Here are highlights from those provisions:

The benefit: Provides presumptive status for disability benefits for 23 conditions related to burn pit exposure. *Who gets it:* Most veterans who served in the Iraq and Afghanistan Wars era are expected to be covered under the provision, although specifics of how to implement that still must be written by VA officials. Individuals would receive disability benefits if they contract any type of the following cancers: head, neck, respiratory system, gastrointestinal system, reproductive system, lymphatic system, kidney, brain, skin or pancreas.

Individuals would also receive disability benefits if they contract any type of the following ailments: asthma, chronic bronchitis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, constrictive bronchiolitis, emphysema, granulomatous disease, interstitial lung disease, pleuritis, pulmonary fibrosis, sarcoidosis, chronic sinusitis, chronic rhinitis or glioblastoma. Most of the illnesses other than cancer would be eligible for benefits within the next year. The cancer benefits would be phased in from 2024 to 2025, except for individuals facing severe medical issues.

The benefit: Provides 10 years of health care coverage from VA upon separation from the military. Currently, all separating troops get five years of coverage. *Who gets it:* All veterans who left the ranks in summer 2017 or later will have their eligibility automatically extended. Veterans who left between summer 2014 and summer 2017 will be able to apply for additional years of health care coverage, ending at 10 years after the date they separated.

The benefit: Provides presumptive status for disability benefits related to Agent Orange exposure for veterans suffering from hypertension or monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS). *Who gets it:* All veterans currently eligible for disability benefits related to Agent Orange exposure. For MGUS, the presumptive status goes into effect as soon as the bill is signed into law. Veterans suffering from hypertension will be phased in. Those who age 85 and older, or those suffering extreme health or financial problems will receive immediate benefits status. For others, the presumptive status will start on Oct. 1, 2026.

The benefit: Provides presumptive status for disability benefits related to Agent Orange exposure for veterans who served in areas previously not recognized for the chemical defoliant use. *Who gets it:* For veterans 85 or older who qualify, the benefit goes into effect immediately. For younger veterans, the provisions will trigger on Oct. 1, 2022. The eligible groups include:

- Individuals who served in Thailand (or any Royal Thai base) from Jan. 9, 1962, to June 30, 1976;
- Individuals who served in Laos between Dec. 1, 1965, and Sept. 30, 1969;

Speaker Bio



Charles Martin Wender

(known to most as "Marty") is well known for his achievements and vision. Marty Wender, a Fort Worth native, began his San Antonio business career in 1969, upon graduating from the Business Honors Program at The University of Texas at Austin.

He has been called, on more than one occasion, a true visionary. In the 1980's, Wender could easily see the potential for a thriving community on the far west side of San Antonio and he has been given much of the credit for many of the City's business and tourist successes in that area these past four decades. Wender was largely responsible for creating the Westover Hills Development, ensuring the city landed Sea World, facilitating the construction of State Highway 151, and bringing the 1993 United States Olympic Festival here. He was also instrumental in convincing papal-visit coordinators to have Pope John Paul II come to San Antonio instead of Houston during his 1987 visit to the U.S.

Marty is active in numerous civic and charitable organizations. He is the 2012 Chairman of the Board of the Alamo Public Telecommunications Council and a graduate of the Masters Leadership Program of San Antonio and Bexar County. Marty was the 2002 Chairman of the Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce; and was a member of "Team Toyota" that helped lure Toyota to San Antonio. Marty served on the Board of the San Antonio Economic Development Foundation; the Board of the San Antonio Medical Foundation; the University of Texas Health Science Development Board, and many others. Additionally, Marty is a member of the University of Texas Chancellor's Council; the University of Texas Longhorn Advisory Council; and the University of Texas at San Antonio Business Advisory Council.

Marty Wender has been the recipient of many awards and recognitions because of his achievements, his devotion and service to the community and his vision for the future of San Antonio and Texas. Marty's willingness to try the untried and his insistence on quality are his hallmarks.

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 _____

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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***

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

Referred By: _____

Transition Tips

Attitude

I've talked in the past about the importance of branding, marketing, and networking among other things that you will need to do to land a post transition position. I was reminded of the most important aspect of the whole process that other day at a career fair that I attended. I met someone that I had counselled last year on his transition. He is still in the process and has not found anything. As we talked, I realized that the issue was attitude.

This gent is very talented and experienced. He has credentials that enhance his opportunities. However --- he has built a roadblock through his attitude. He comes across with a smugness that, I suspect, turns off recruiters and potential employers. He has expectations that he can come into a company in a high-level position that is also high paying. There is a "humility" factor that's lacking.

Listen to the news and you will hear the current lingo talking about inflation, recession, continued interest rate hikes, among others. These are all impacting company strategic plans. The predictions include higher unemployment as more workers are laid off. One report said that companies are not worried about recruiting. Their biggest concern is cyber security. That's good for the cyber folks exiting the military. Others transitioning need to work on their strategies.

This all means that the competitive job market just got more competitive. You cannot walk into a company with an attitude. Remember that you are competing with the company's current employee base. They want to stay and grow with the company. You must show what you bring to the table is what they need and show how you can work with their team. An attitude will just show you the door.

You have a product to sell to a company. That product is you. How you present yourself will be the key to success. There are many of us out there who will help you in the transition process. Listen and learn from our experiences.

Kitty

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

Previously published Transition Tips can be found at www.alamomooa.org under the Transition Services tab.

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PACT Act

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- Individuals who served in Cambodia's Kompon Cham province between April 16, 1969, and April 30, 1969;
- Individuals who served in Guam or American Samoa (or their territorial waters) between Jan. 9, 1962, and July 31, 1980;
- Individuals who served on the Johnston Atoll between Jan. 1, 1972, and Sept. 30, 1977.

The benefit: Provides presumptive status for disability benefits for Persian Gulf War veterans. *Who gets it:* All veterans who served in the first Gulf War. The provisions remove rules regarding eligibility expiration.

The benefit: Provides presumptive status for disability benefits related to radiation exposure for veterans who served at the Eniwetok Atoll. *Who gets it:* Individuals who served at the site from Jan. 1, 1977, to Dec. 31, 1980.

The benefit: Provides presumptive status for disability benefits related to radiation exposure for veterans who served in Palomares, Spain. *Who gets it:* Individuals who served at the site from Jan. 17, 1966, to March 31, 1967.

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7400 Crestway | San Antonio, Texas 78239 | armyresidence.com

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

kamconsulthr@gmail.com



**NEVER STOP
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**WE NEED YOU
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for positions on your Chapter
leadership team
(Member spouses also welcome!)

Current Needs:

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

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

www.alamomoaa.org



HAPPY BIRTHDAY to those members born in the month of September.

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 that information.

Col Alex Archibald, Jr USAF Ret
Col Bob Barnhardt USAF Ret
CPT Gregory Bartlett USA
COL Wallace Baze USA Ret
Col Gerald Beverly USAF Ret
Col Jack Bujalski USAF Ret
Lt Col Fernando Conejo USAF Ret
Col Bruce Creller Sr USA Ret
Col James Davis USAF Ret
LT Violette Firth USN Ret
Col Bernie Frey USAF Ret
Lt Col Carolyn Friedle USAF Ret
Lt Col William Goff USAF Ret
CPT James Greene USA
COL Leon Holland USA Ret
Col Joseph Hope USAF Ret
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CDR Bob Le Jeune USN Ret
Col Les Long USAF Ret
COL Edgar Marshall, Jr USA Ret
CDR David Marx USN Ret
LTC Jeanne Marie McNamara USA Ret
COL Daniel Meyers USA Ret
Col Michael Boots Miller USAF Ret
CAPT Michael Monreal USN Ret
MAJ Elizabeth Morehead USA Ret
COL Karen Naushuetz USA Ret
LTC Michael O'Brien USA Ret
COL John Pavlovsky USA Ret
Lt Col William Pazeretsky USAF Ret
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MajGen James Smith USAF Ret
LTC Ralph Talbot USA Ret
Mrs. Luther (Betty) Tarbox USAF
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LTC Judith Trotti USA Ret
CAPT Rodney Tugade USN Ret
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Topic: "The major part the military played in making Medical / Biomedical as the # 1 industry in San Antonio. It is the only reason we have the University of Texas Health Science Center San Antonio here, as the cornerstone of that industry."

Blues Skies of Texas West - Road Runner
5100 John D. Ryan Blvd
Meet & Greet begins 11am - Lunch served 11:30am

Menu (Circle meal choice)

A) Parmesan Crusted Salmon B) Chicken Marsala
Garden salad, wild rice blend, sauteed asparagus, peach cobbler

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