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President's Message

Greetings. I hope you are enjoying the summer. As we enter Fall, the Chapter is in full swing for the golf tournament. This year's event will be held on Friday, October 18 at the Ft. Sam Golf Club. We are returning here years after enjoying such fabulous courses as River Crossing and the Quarry. River Crossing priced us out and the Quarry is under construction.

Even so, we will have a marvelous event. Golf with friends, lunch and dinner, silent auction and prizes. We'll just have to count on a fabulous Fall San Antonio weather day to make it even more special.

Please join us as we raise money for the USO Warrior and Family Support Center located here on Ft Sam Houston, as well as for Educational Foundation which provides scholarships to local JROTC and ROTC cadets. What a fantastic way to enjoy a day. Registration can be done on our secure web-site at www.alamomoaa.org.

Not a golfer? There are other volunteer opportunities to support us on the day; let us know if you want to help.

MOAA's legislative initiatives in support of all military members is going strong but still needs your support. We are over the hiccups caused by the recent system switch at MOAA national. If you haven't logged in and set up a new password yet, now is the time to do so. While you are there, become a supporter by signing up on Quorum.

Go to www.moaa.org and click on the "Legislative Action Center" tab and follow the instructions. Each click that you do to support an issue is sent to your congressional reps. They do count the numbers; that's why MOAA is a recognized leader in DC. Your actions do count!

David Patrick and Brian Af-flerbaugh continue to excel in creating our the monthly luncheons and obtaining first class speakers. I commend them on their efforts. Please continue to check out the communications on each month's event. We hope to see y'all there.

Have a super day. See y'all soon.

Kitty

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



MOAA Alamo Chapter?



Who Are We?

The Military Officers Association of America (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 390 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 TCVO (Texas Coalition of Veterans Organizations) and the TCC (Texas Council of Chapters).

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Thank You

to each person listed below who have donated a little (or a lot!) to the MOAA Alamo Chapter Educational Foundation (MACEF), and/or Chapter Operations.

We really appreciate it—and every dollar helps!

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Annual Business Meeting Notice

2024

The Chapter's Annual Business Meeting will be held on **Thursday, November 21** during the Chapter Luncheon at the Ft Sam Golf Club.

Membership in attendance will vote on the proposed bylaw revisions summarized on Page 3 of this issue. A full copy of the redlined bylaws can be found on the chapter website or requested from the office.

Kudos to Us!



In July MOAA national awarded us with the highest honor - the 5-Star Colonel Marvin J Harris Communications Award for both our monthly newsletter "The Lariat" AND our chapter website www.alamooaa.org.

Grateful thanks go to the stewards of these two entities - Bill Hudson, our webmaster, and Trish Meserve, the newsletter creator.

Proposed Revisions to Alamo Chapter Bylaws 2024

Background: At the May 22, 2024 Chapter Board meeting the Chair, Jarvis Baker, asked that the Bylaws be reviewed to ensure that they adequately address the term limits of Board members as well as the desired number of members on the Board. This proposed revision also administratively “cleans-up” some minor grammatical elements of the current Bylaws.

Eric Krietz, Board member and David Patrick, Acting Chapter Secretary, volunteered to draft the proposed revisions. The proposed revisions were approved by the Chapter Staff on August 8 at their monthly staff meeting and subsequently approved by the Board of Directors on August 15 for presentation to the membership for concurrence and approval at the Annual General Business Meeting on November 21. This paper summarizes the proposed revisions. A full copy of the redlined bylaws can be found on the chapter website or requested from the office.

Sequence of the Articles: The Articles were re-arranged to make the Bylaws better sequenced while positioning the Board of Directors Article III more prominently upfront.

Article I – Organization:

Para C: Update the official name of the Chapter Foundation to the “Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) Alamo Chapter Educational Foundation (MACEF).

Para F, G & H: Use the term “Chapter” as the name of the organization as noted in para A. Article I.

Article II – Membership:

Para B, sub-para 4: includes “Friends of the Chapter” as a class of membership; changes line B. from three to four classes;

Para E: changes name of organization to “Chapter” as addressed in para A, Article I;

Para H: deletes “Friends of the Chapter” reference as it was moved to Para B. as an official class of membership.

Article III – Board of Directors - Officers & Directors:

Para A, 2: changes Vice-Chairman to Vice-Chair;

Para B, 1: adds reference that Friends of the Chapter are not eligible to serve on the Board as voting members or hold office;

Para E: outlines the purpose of the board, the number of meetings annually and what constitutes a quorum;

Para E, 1: establishes the number of Board members as 5;

Para E, 9: addresses term limits of directors;

Para E, 10: clarifies who may run for Board membership.

Membership Memos

THANK YOU Renewing Members:

LTG Richard Graves, USA (Ret)
 LTG Steven Polk, USAF (Ret)
 Brig Gen Matthew Barker, USAF (Ret)
 CAPT Jim Burk, USCG (Ret)
 COL Gary Bushover, USA (Ret)
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 Lt Col Ralph Stearman, USAF (Ret)
 LTC Edith Weidemann, USA (Ret)
 LTC Machielle Wood Denmon, USA (Ret)
 MAJ Christine Johnson, USA (Fmr)
 Maj Louis Kelley, USAF (Ret)
 Maj John Markovetz, USAF (Ret)
 CPT Robert Shea, USA (Ret)
 CPT Sharion Tanner, USA (Fmr)
 CWO4 James Griffith, USN (Ret)
 WO1 Amelia Ramirez, USA
 Barbara Deeter
 Melodye Jensen
 Patricia Keller
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WELCOME New Members:

LTC Karen Luisi, USA (Ret)
 LTC Daniel O'Neill, USA
 LTC Michael Stadnyk, USA
 MAJ Elliott Pernula, USA
 MAJ Robert Sterling, USA
 MAJ Michael Vu, USA
 CPT Dallin Ashby, USA
 CPT Keith Buczak, USA
 CPT Nathaniel Harry, USA
 CW5 Lee Nelson, USA
 CW2 Cheyanne Davis, USA

Membership Stats

Active Duty 159
 Former Military 23
 Friends of the Chapter 7
 Retired 572
 Surviving Spouse 131

Total 892

Alamo Chapter Mission & Vision

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.

NEVER STOP SERVING! WE NEED YOU TO VOLUNTEER!



Current Needs:

- 1) Personal Affairs/Surviving Spouse Chair
- 2) Webmaster Assistant/Social Media Guru
- 3) Members for the following committees:
 - Golf Tournament
 - Membership & Retention
 - Marketing
 - Transition
 - Legislative Affairs
 - Personal Affairs/Surviving Spouse

Member spouses are welcome

*The position descriptions of all chapter positions can be found on the chapter website under the resources tab.
www.alamomoaa.org*

If interested, or have questions, please call or text Kitty Meyers 210 355 6244

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Speaker Bio - Robert Garland



Robert "Shark" Garland is a combat veteran fighter pilot of the United States Air Force.

He was an F-15 Eagle instructor at the prestigious Air Force Weapons School (the Air Force's "Top Gun" program) and one of the first test pilots for the F-22 Raptor Fighter Jet.

He concluded his career as CEO of the Weapons School, retiring from active duty service as a full Colonel.

Shark holds several Masters degrees and is an inventor. He holds a U.S. patent in aviation design for an airplane cockpit.

Shark calls the Texas Hill Country home where he and his family operate a ranch when not at Texas A&M football games.

Shark is a 2023 Vistage Top Performing Speaker, best-selling author, and keynote speaker.

He is an instructor at VMax Group teaching leadership and teamwork excellence that inspires companies to Heroically SOAR!

Want to get to know your fellow members and enhance the Chapter newsletter?



We are looking to add a regular feature to our monthly newsletter in the form of spotlighting some of our members.

If you love to meet folks, have a knack for interviewing, can take a good picture and write a short bio on a regular basis, we would love to hear from you!

It could be just meeting them for coffee, connecting over the phone or at one of our social events.

Please let us know! Call, text or email the office

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If you have a birthday this month and your name is not here, then we do not have your birth month in our records. If you'd like to be included please call, text or email us the information.

Brian Afflerbaugh, Col USAF (Ret)
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 William Goff, Lt Col USAF (Ret)
 Leon Holland, COL USA (Ret)
 Barbara Horvath
 Peggy Jared
 Brett Johnson, CPT USA
 Kevin Kaps, Col USAF (Ret)
 Sarah Kovel, CDR USN (Ret)

Bob Le Jeune, CDR USN (Ret)
 Bryan Logan, COL USA
 Edgar Marshall, Jr, COL USA (Ret)
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 Kenneth Ratcliff, Col USAF (Ret)
 Joy Ream, COL USA (Ret)
 David Rechkemmer, Col USAF (Ret)
 Carlos Rodriguez, Maj USAF (Ret)
 Charles Rodriguez, MG USA (Ret)

Mike Rucker, LTC USA (Ret)
 Gary Sadlon, COL USA (Ret)
 Gary Salmans, Col USAF (Ret)
 Sue Sarran, LTC USA (Ret)
 Aimee Schumacher, LTC USA (Ret)
 Ritchie Seymour
 Carmine Taglieri, COL USA (Ret)
 Ralph Talbot, LTC USA (Ret)
 Betty Tarbox
 Stephanie Trochak, LTC USA (Ret)
 Judith Trotti, LTC USA (Ret)
 Charles Valentine, MAJ USA (Ret)
 Jeanette Wahl
 Gerald Webb, COL USA (Ret)
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16th Annual MOAA-AC Golf Tournament

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Friday, October 18, 2024

Ft Sam Houston Golf Course, 1050 Harry Wurzbach, San Antonio, Tx

\$125 per player (limit 120 players)

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

REGISTRATION & LUNCH begin 11am - Shotgun Start 12:30pm



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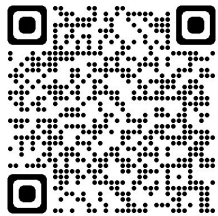
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Hole Sponsor \$325

Closest To The Pin \$325

Longest Drive \$325

Warrior Player Sponsor \$125



Monetary donation in any amount \$ _____

CONTACT INFORMATION

Tournament Co Chairs: Frank & Stephen Rohrbough

Frank: 703-868-8006 Stephen: 210-262-7026

MOAA Ofc: 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.

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4 person team or individual player registration form

Player 1 Name: _____

Shirt Size: _____ Mens Ladies (circle one)

Email (required): _____

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Shirt Size: _____ Mens Ladies (circle one)

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Player 3 Name: _____

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Shirt Size: _____ Mens Ladies (circle one)

Email (required): _____

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

Company Name: _____

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Exp Date: _____ Billing Zip Code: _____

CVV: _____ Tel: _____

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

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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 or PayPal on our secure website: www.alamomoaa.org. Call Trish at 210-228-9955 for questions on tournament

16th Annual Golf Tournament

October 18, 2024

at the Ft Sam Golf Course in San Antonio.

The tournament raises funds for . . .

- 1) **The USO Warrior & Family Support Center (formerly JBSA Warrior & Family Support Center) on Ft Sam Houston** which provides a neutral, home-like place for families and patients to gather together after long and often painful days of treatment.
- 2) **The Chapter's JROTC and ROTC Scholarships (MOAA 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. One Scholarship is awarded to a chapter member's child/grandchild and one for a local High School student with a military relative (all ranks). Since its inception this tournament has raised over \$200,000 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.
- ♦ Be a **contributor** -- donate an entry fee of \$125 and give a Warrior an opportunity to play free of charge. (Unused player spot donations will go directly to WFSC) 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, or an item for the Silent Auction.
- ♦ 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 distribute this flyer 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 the MOAA Office at (210) 228-9955.

Sign up or donate using this form or alternatively, you can sign up and/or donate online at our website and pay using your credit card. Go to www.alamomoaa.org. Tax ID: 501(C)3 #82-1635522.

Thank you.

Frank Rohrbough
Frank Rohrbough
Co-Chair, Golf Committee



Scholarship Committee Forming Interested in serving?

Every year, the Alamo Chapter honors outstanding high school and college students with our wide-ranging scholarships and awards programs.

These initiatives reinforce our mission of supporting our military community while addressing our priority of increasing membership.

We are beginning the program for academic year 2024-25 and seek volunteers who can commit to attending three meetings over the next six months. The 2024 program kicks off with a strategy and planning meeting in November where we outline our purpose, objectives and tasks for success. Meetings are typically held in the chapter office on JBSA Fort Sam Houston.

This is an exciting and important program and we seek input from across the chapter membership.

If interested in joining the team, please contact our Scholarship Committee Chairperson, Col (ret) Pete Hunt, preferably via email,

peterhunt2012@gmail.com

or backup by text/phone to 210-867-0418



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

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

☐ MOAA National Mbr? If yes pls provide mbr number:

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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)
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Card number _____

Expiration date _____ CVV _____

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Signature _____

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Soldiers' Angels

Operation Warm Winter

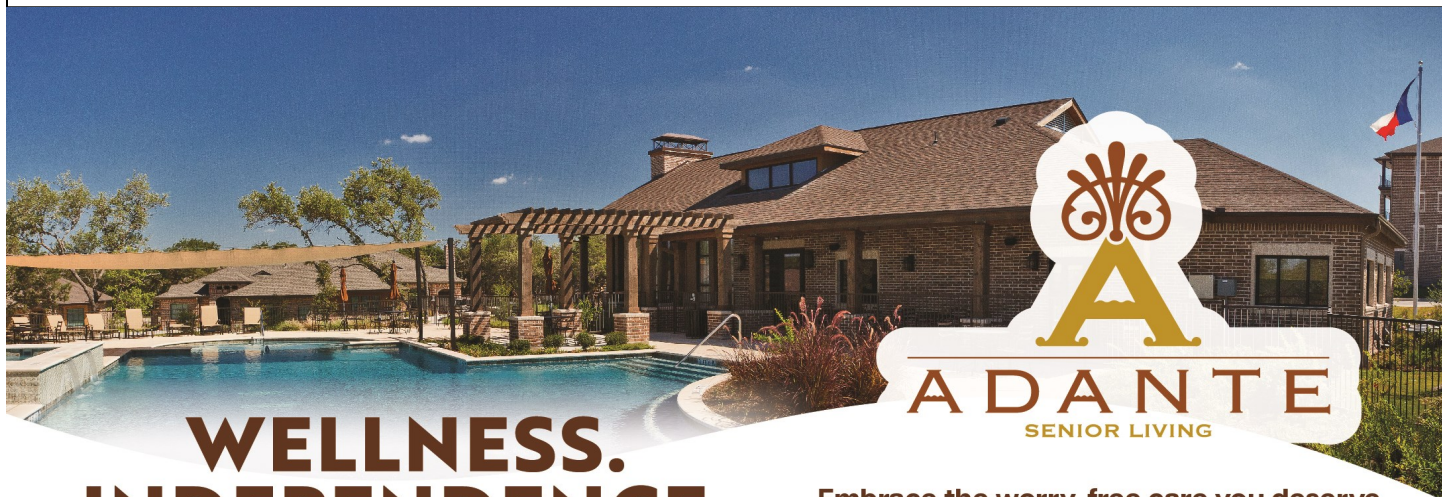
Operation: Warm Winter helps Soldiers' Angels collect warm items that will be shared directly with homeless Veterans in need across the country through VA hospitals we support.

Formerly known as their annual Blanket Drive, the campaign has been expanded to include highly requested coats and gloves.

Please support our partnership with Soldiers' Angels by donating new or unused:

- Blankets -- only store-bought or handmade, twin-sized preferred
- Adult-sized winter coats -- all adult sizes and all colors accepted, waterproof a plus
- Adult-sized winter gloves & winter hat -- all adult sizes and all colors accepted, waterproof a plus

You may drop your donation off at the Chapter office on Ft Sam (Tues thru Thurs 1-4pm) or bring your donation to the September luncheon – we will have a drop-off box on site and will transport the items to Soldiers Angels. **Thank you!**



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Scholarships & Leadership Development Chair

Importance of Position: Grooms future MOAA members by implementing policies and procedures to allocate resources for the chapter's awards and scholarship programs for high school and college students who have a current or future affiliation with MOAA.

General Expectations:

- Current member of MOAA and of MOAA-AC
- Aware of MOAA-AC by-laws and Strategic Plan
- Write a monthly (or as required) article for *The Lariat*
- Attend at least 85% of Board, staff, and membership meetings
- Prepare and submit budget input as needed

Position Qualifications:

- Knowledge of the MOAA Alamo Chapter & of the Texas Council of Chapters Officers and Initiatives
- Knowledge of MOAA National Officers and Initiatives
- Computer access and reasonably computer literate

Responsible to: Chapter President

Major Responsibilities:

- Organize and lead an awards and scholarship committee to review the scope of the program annually, to include budget allocation, awards distribution, scholarship criteria and awards luncheon tasks
- Maintain an Excel database of approximately 125 high school JROTC and college ROTC unit POCs, contact information and award ceremony details
- Coordinate with the Minnie Piper Foundation/Bexar County Clearinghouse for recommended winners of the Col Clarence Torrey scholarship
- Advertise the chapter's MAJ James and Cheryl Cunningham Scholarship in the Lariat for high school seniors who are dependents of MOAA-AC members
- Inform JROTC and ROTC units of scholarship opportunities and application procedures.
- Form scholarship board to select winning Chapter, Torrey and ROTC scholarship nominees
- Secure chapter volunteers to present MOAA Award at high schools and colleges in chapter catchment area
- Organize annual Awards Luncheon, to include guest speaker coordination, extending invitations to winning students and guests, and luncheon execution
- Ensure scholarship funds are distributed and posted for MOAA account oversight

Training/Preparation:

- Working knowledge of the President's goals, objectives and available resources
- Recommend at least one-year experience serving on MOAA-AC awards and scholarships committee
- Review awards and scholarship program continuity folder

Average Time Commitment: The time commitment varies over the course of the year. From Jun – Nov, minimum 4 hours per month. From Dec – May when the planning and execution of most awards ceremonies occur, minimum 10 hours per month.

Length of Commitment: Minimum two years

Measures of Success:

- Gain at least 20 new MOAA-AC members each year from JROTC instructors, ROTC instructors and newly-commissioned officers from ROTC units
- Chapter receives 5 Star Level of Excellence award
- Complete all action steps, as assigned, in the chapter Strategic Plan.

Transition Tips

The Value of Association Membership

Professional organization memberships have value for your entire career. When starting off in a new career, you have the opportunity to network with newbies as well as experienced professionals in your field. I have been a member of both the Society of Human Resources Management (SHRM) and the San Antonio Human Resources Management Association (SAHRMA) for decades. The connections that I've met have turned into life-long partners in the dynamic HR arena but are also some of the best of friends.

Attending the various educational forums exposes you to the latest information needed for optimum performance. The national and regional conferences provide a wealth of classes and seminars. Besides the information, you also build your network as you meet folks from all over the world. Even regional events become global. The local chapters have regular meetings with dynamic speakers on topics pertinent to membership. SAHRMA also has an annual conference focusing on industry topics as well as the annual legislative law session. Talk about powerhouse opportunities to stay abreast with the latest information.

These are examples of the HR association links. There are links for just about every profession – engineering, manufacturing, IT, and cyber security, for starters. The list is extensive and can be explored through the internet and through LinkedIn. Just google.

Another advantage is the networking available when you are relocating. I continually stress the need to connect to your new community before you've unpacked a box to start building that network. And yes, you know that I continually harp on the need to continually nurture that network. You'll be surprised at the value that it brings throughout your career.

Best wishes,

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

Menu

Roast Beef & Cheddar on Ciabatta bread with pickles & chips, Fruit
Cups, & Cookies. Water & Iced Tea.

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26 Chapter Luncheon Blue Skies West

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18 MOAA-AC Golf Tournament
19 Retiree Appreciation Day FSH

November

2 Retiree Appreciation Day Randolph
21 Annual General Meeting Luncheon

December

12 Christmas Luncheon with Alamo Heights
Youth Choir Ft Sam Golf Club