

September 2017

Military-Civilian Club of San Antonio Established 1921

The Military-Civilian Club
of San Antonio
is designed to foster patriotism
and the integration of
the military and civilian
communities of the
San Antonio, Texas area.

From your Presidents

Hello Club Members!!

Can you believe that our Club has been in existence for 96 years! When the first luncheon occurred, women had only been able to voting for one year; a house cost \$7,019; bread was 10 cents a loaf; gas was 11 cents a gallon, and milk was 58 cents. The world was introduced to Betty Crocker, Eskimo Pies, Land O' Lakes Butter; Mounds; Baby Ruth and Oh Henry! candy bars. The world's first hamburger chain - White Castles, made it's debut, as did Wrigley's Gum and the first of 100 Billion Band-Aids to date. Thompson invented the submachine gun, and 1921 was the first time anyone ever heard the words, "I'd walk a mile for a Camel." Well we don't walk a mile for a Camel anymore (not sure any of us ever did); but we are still enjoying Eskimo Pies and candy bars. Of course, where would we be without Betty Crocker?

We hope you are ready to start the new club year with a bang! All our board members and chairpersons have been hard at work. A great deal of information is included in this issue – filled with exciting plans for the year sure to entice you to remain active in the Club. Lisa Wolff has been so kind to open her home to us for our Welcome Coffee. Please join us in a warm welcome to all our new members.

This year, we had hoped to expand our luncheons from meeting in one location, The Club at Sonterra, to include sites throughout the city. Unfortunately, after much research, the cost factor of other venues was prohibitive.

We have securely locked into Sonterra for our city meetings. They are wonderful to work with and we all know how to get there!

In addition to our normal calendar of events we would like to know how many of you would be interested in a "Mil-Civ Christmas Shopping Trip" to Fredericksburg on the 29th of November. It would be a full day probably leaving at 8:30am and returning around 5:30pm. Depending on responses, we'll travel by bus or van. If you are interested please email Mary Wieser at mvw.amc@gmail.com with the subject line of [MCC Trip](#). Based on your input we will develop an itinerary and cost. A signup sheet will be available at the October luncheon. If interested is low, then that is ok too. We are just trying to think of something outside the box to get us together socially. The other possibility is a "Spring Fling". This would be an evening social open to spouses or guest. Please let us know at mvwie-ser.amc@gmail.com.

Lisa and I are look forward to seeing all of you at the September coffee and the first luncheon of the year on October 2nd. We have truly come a long way since 1921 - let's go for another 96 years!

Mary Wieser Lisa Wright
Civilian President Military President

Welcome to our New Civilian Members

Lynn Berryman
Jamie Bloodsworth
Veronica Boldt
Susan Bowman
Ferne Burney
Anne Campbell

Wendy Erickson
Barbie Gonzalez
Vonzetta Hickman
Nancy Hunt
Johnette Lee
Claudia Malitz

Susanne Marco
Susan Mengden
Shelia Mayfield
Kathi Oppenheimer
Patricia Seidenberger
Kim Winton

The new military members will be recognized in the January newsletter.

Mark Your Calendars

September 11

10-11:30 AM Welcome Coffee
The home of Lisa Wolfe
3 Elm Court

October 2

10:30 AM Joint Board Meeting
11:30 AM Luncheon
The Club at Sonterra

November 6

11:30 AM Dine Around
The Pearl

December 11

11:30 AM Luncheon
The Par Club—Randolph AFB

January 8

10:30 AM Joint Board Meeting
11:30 AM Luncheon
The Club at Sonterra

February 12

In Home Luncheons

March 5

11:30 AM Luncheon
The Club at Sonterra

April 9

11:30 AM Luncheon
The Gateway Club—Lackland AFB

May 14

10:30 AM Joint Board Meeting
11:30 AM Luncheon
The Club at Sonterra

Treasurer's Notes

Dues notices were sent in July and are payable to the Military Civilian Club upon receipt. Our dispersing treasurer is **Victoria Woods**. For reimbursements, please fill out a reimbursement form and send it to her attention at: **P.O. Box 6185 San Antonio, TX 78209**



OCTOBER

Please join us in welcoming Louie Guzman from the SA Food Bank at The Cub at Sonterra Monday Oct 2, 2017 at 11:30. Please bring any non perishable food items for the food bank you would like to donate. We take pride in giving back to our community and what a perfect way to start off early for the holiday season.

DECEMBER

Please join us on Monday December 11, 2017 at the Par-Club on Randolph at 11:30. The Band of the West will be entertaining us with festive music during the busy holidays come and enjoy each other before the hustle and bustle of the holidays get into gear.

JANUARY

"Lackland Dog Training Program: Fostering a New Generation of Service Dogs"

The January luncheon will be held on Monday, January 8, 2018, at the Sonterra Country Club. There will be a Joint Board Meeting held beforehand. For lunch we are planning on a small fresh salad followed by Chicken Marsala served with garlic butter mashed potatoes and asparagus. A vegetarian option will also be available. A piece of decadent Tiramisu will be our dessert.

"Lackland Dog Training Program: Fostering a New Generation of Service Dogs" will be our January program and will focus on the dog training program at Lackland AFB. Dogs have been used in warfare throughout the world since ancient times. They have fought beside American troops in every conflict since the Revolutionary War, but only became officially recognized starting in World War II. Since then, their use has broadened from simply being messengers to becoming very well trained, effective members of our armed services. Through the years, dogs have been honored for their service through rank promotions and medals. Some have even become celebrities and one particular canine was so beloved that he was named the official mascot of the Marines. The American military was one of the first to see the wide ranging potential that dogs had to offer and, as a result, the scope and diversity of official jobs that the military dogs are trained for has erupted over the past few decades. Of course one mustn't forget that the dogs fulfill the unofficial roles of guardian, cheerleader, and listener that help to really cement their bond to their handlers and unit.

As you might imagine, there has been a strong interest expressed in this topic so please let us know if you are planning to attend and guests are welcome. We look forward to seeing everyone there for a fun and exciting luncheon!

November is the month to

Dine Around



Expand your culinary Horizons as we “Dine Around” the community. Every year we choose 7-8 restaurants mixing old favorites and a few newer finds. It is purely social with no business meeting and a great opportunity to get to know others in our club so there are no guests permitted for this meeting. Pencil in Monday, November 6th, at 11:30 a.m. on your calendar and start selecting your restaurant choices.

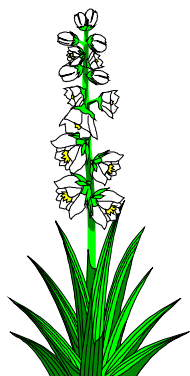
This year Linda Skop has made it possible for our club members to enjoy discovering the ever changing Pearl area with its restaurants and shops. Come and explore the Pearl! We will be taking sign-ups at September’s Welcome Coffee, the October Luncheon, or by contacting Linda with your requests.

If mailing your requests please list your first three restaurant choices and mail your check made out to the *Military-Civilian Club* for **\$30** by **October 15th**. Reservations will not be accepted without payment. Cancellations must be made by October 20, 2017 for a refund.

Mail requests to: **Linda Skop 305 Wildrose Ave. SATX 78209**.
Any questions, contact Linda at 210-269-0407 or by email lindaskop@hotmail.com

Please select from the following restaurants

The Boiler House	Botika - <i>Asian/Peruvian</i>	Supper
Southerleighs	La Gloria - <i>Mexican</i>	Sobro - <i>Italian</i>
Tacos and Tequila	NAO - Culinary Institute	Green - <i>vegetarian</i>



In Loving Memory

*Ann Brown
Barbara Wright
Hilde Caras
Mary Crawford
Ann Murphy*

News Flash – News Flash.....Read all about it!!!!

The “launch of the century” occurred on August 14, 2017. The Military-Civilian Charitable Foundation Website is now on the web. Go to milcivfoundation.com to read all about it. Check out what we do and whom we support. Don’t wait another day. Check out our website. Notice our donations, the organizations who supported us this last year and our scholarship recipients. Check out the Gallery. Familiarize yourself with the donation button!!! Keep abreast of the growth of our website during the year as we continue to build the Member Portal.

Special Thanks for your Donations

A special thank you to all of our Military-Civilian Club members who have donated to our Military-Civilian Charitable Foundation Campaign this year. This year we have already raised \$22,665.00 from our Fundraising Campaign. This money goes to support our College Scholarships, Military Family Support, and our Military Ambassador Program. There is still time to make a donation to provide financial assistance for our mission. Your support and financial assistance will be greatly appreciated. The MCCF is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt charity and your donations are tax deductible.

If you wish to give you may make your contribution, I will be at the Military-Civilian Club Welcome Coffee where I will be happy to take your donation. Additionally, you will find a "donation" link on our new website: <http://www.milcivfoundation.com> Or, you may send your contribution to: Military-Civilian Charitable Foundation P.O. Box 6185 San Antonio, Texas 78209. Please make checks payable to MCCF. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely, *Becky Ownby Smith*
MCCF, Vice President Development

Update: Military-Civilian Charitable Foundation

Thank you for the confidence and trust you have placed in your Foundation Board of Directors. We work diligently with our committee members and the Mil-Civ Board of Directors to ensure the best, fastest and most effective assistance is given to our military. They deserve our support, and we appreciate yours.

Now in our third full year of operation, we are pleased to report a cash balance of almost \$95,000. That includes a recent cash infusion from our member-donors of \$22,415 from the appeal included with the Mil-Civ Club dues letter. Of that money, \$6300 is restricted to Scholarships & \$800 to the Military Ambassador Program & \$4,625 to Military Family Support. The remaining donations of \$10,000 are unrestricted and may be used for any purpose. Holly Jones, VP of Programs, leads an experienced team to investigate possible partnerships with existing organizations that provide direct, targeted and specific aid and support to our Military and their families.

Last year alone, through generous member and community donors, your Military-Civilian Charitable Foundation awarded \$46,255 to include: \$14,254 in direct support of our Military Families \$23,000 in direct cost of our Military Ambassador Program \$12,420 in scholarships to four college-bound children of military personnel.

The Foundation (MCCF) is budgeted to award almost that same amount this year. The December Luncheon Gift Card campaign will continue: last year, in just one day, our members broke records again and we delivered \$7,115 in gift cards to the Warrior Family Support Center for distribution to our military families.

Donations to the Foundation are tax deductible and you will receive an acknowledgement from our Treasurer for your 1040 Return. You may specify where you want your contribution to go: Military Ambassador, Military Family and/or Scholarships OR you may give to the Foundation to use as needed. Your gift may be given as an Honorarium or Memorial. The individual or family member(s) will be notified of your thoughtfulness.

Jeanie Travis, President

Military-Civilian Charitable Foundation