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# 2012 ANCA Convention NOTES

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## TOURS:

- **Fort Sam Houston**

Our tours to Fort Sam will include visits at Brooke Army Medical Center (San Antonio Military Medical Center), AMEDD Museum, windshield tour of historic sites/new missions and guided tour of the Center for the Intrepid. Intrepid morning tour will be at 1130 Hrs and afternoon tour at 1530 Hrs.

- **City Tour #1**

- **Buckhorn Hall of Horns and the Texas Rangers Museum** *San Antonio takes a step back in time at the Buckhorn Saloon and Texas Rangers Museum There you can walk into a reception of a 120 year old Saloon, be awed by thousands of exotic exhibits and mystifying oddities and embark on an authentic tour of Texas history.*
- **The Alamo...Shrine of Texas liberty**  
Although it was the first Mission in San Antonio, the Alamo is best remembered for the famous battle fought there in 1836....forever changing the lives and attitudes of Texans.
- Rivercenter for lunch on your own or boat ride on your own or shopping.

- **City Tour #2**

- **Mission San Jose** This mission was called the “Queen of the Missions” and is one of the finest examples of Spanish Colonial architecture in the U.S. Visit the newly restored church, the grounds of the complex and learn about the early Native Americans who helped create a life that exists today in our city.
- **San Fernando Cathedral**, the oldest cathedral in the US.
- **Mexican Market** for lunch and shopping. Great selections and prices!

## CONTINUING EDUCATION SESSIONS AND OTHER PRESENTATIONS

Speakers have been invited to provide programs on the following topics (total of 4 CEU's):

- State of the Army Nurse Corps
- Joint Military Healthcare in San Antonio
- TRICARE Update and implications for Nursing
- Advances in the VA System
- Perceptions of Army Nursing Care from our patients
- Combat Medicine Initiatives
- Challenges for the new Army Surgeon General and Commander, Army Medical Command

## SPECIALTY GROUPS:

Attendees have asked for opportunities to meet with specialty groups. We'll be breaking out into the following groups: Nurse Anesthesia, Research, Education, WRAIN. Identified leaders will be working during the year to develop a common format for these sessions.

## HOSPITALITY / SILENT AUCTION / SALES

Our Hospitality area will be available to attendees for refreshments, networking etc most hours during our Convention. Liquid refreshments will be available but not during hours when there we have an ANCA function with cash bars.

Shopping is a favorite activity and we will have a great selection of items for your retail therapy. Our plans include the establishment of an ANCA online store so stay tuned!

COL-Rs Lark Ford and Julia Williams are co-chairing the Silent Auction. While most attendees chose to bring their items to CONVENTION, we ask that you complete the enclosed form and send in ahead of time so that we can prepare the appropriate materials. We will also have a raffle with exciting items.

## PHOTOGRAPHY

Our photographer will be at all major events. He will have pictures available right at the Hotel for purchasing as well as online sales. This will be our first time to take formal pictures by Region. We'll also have Specialty Group, ANC Corps Chiefs, ANCA Presidents, Board and other formal pictures. His Sales Desk will be in our ANCA Hospitality/Silent Auction/Sales area.

## SPECIAL NEEDS

We want to ensure that your special needs are tended to so please make sure that you or your companion let us know what is important to you.

## ASSIGNMENT HISTORY PROJECT

This proved to be a most desirable effort for the 2010 Convention . If you completed a form previously, and nothing has changed, we'll repeat your submission. Updates and new submissions should be completed and forwarded no later than 1 September 2012. See form online or in the next *Connection*.

## FITNESS ACTIVITIES

We plan to have early bird fitness sessions (low impact, chair exercises too).

## NETWORKING TIMES

You'll note that there is plenty of time for reconnecting and networking. ENJOY!



## 2012 ANCA CONVENTION PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Time	Event	Location
<b>Thursday 4 October</b>		
0800-1700	Registration, Hospitality	Doubletree Hotel
0800-2100	Receive Silent Auction items	
0800-1300	Morning Tour	Fort Sam Houston
0930-1430	City Tour #1	San Antonio
1200-1700	Afternoon Tour	San Antonio, Fort Sam Houston
1800-2000	WRAIN Reception	Doubletree Hotel
<b>Friday 5 October</b>		
0700-1800	Registration	Doubletree Hotel
0700-1700	Hospitality/Silent Auction/Sales	
0800-1300	Morning Tour	Fort Sam Houston
0930-1430	City Tour #2	San Antonio
1715-1800	Regional and Special Group Photos	Doubletree Hotel
1800-2000	Opening Reception	
<b>Saturday 6 October</b>		
0800-0900	Continental Breakfast	Doubletree Hotel
0900-1200	General Session	
1215-1330	Box Lunch	
1400-1600	Specialty Groups, 2 CEU Sessions	
1630-1800	Catholic Mass, Ecumenical Service	
1800-1900	Cocktail Reception	
1900-2200	All America Banquet	
<b>Sunday 7 October</b>		
0800-0900	Bring Continental Breakfast to Regional Breakout Sessions	Doubletree Hotel
0900-1030	General Session	
1030-1130	Concurrent CEU Sessions	
1200-1430	Luncheon / Program	
	Silent Auction / Raffle Results Evaluations	
<b>Convention Ends</b>		