



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

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September 2008 • Call To Meeting

The next three meetings of Belleau Wood Detachment are scheduled as follows:

Wednesday, September 17, 2008 at 1900

Wednesday, October 15, 2008 at 1900

Wednesday, November 19, 2008 at 1900

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All meeting start promptly at 1900 and seldom last more than one hour. Just 60 minutes of your time one night each month can make a difference. Please come out and help us fill those meeting room seats. An active Detachment is a healthy Detachment.

All meetings are held at Linden AMVETS Post 89 at 3535 Westerville Road, Columbus, Ohio.

Anytime severe weather is a factor, call AMVETS Post 89 at 614-475-9007. If the Post is closed or about to be closed we will not meet.

If you would like to attend a meeting but do not have transportation, please feel free to call a Detachment officer for assistance. We will do our best to accommodate you.

Future Activities and Events

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| Every Saturday | Breakfast social hour at AmVets Post 89. Members gather to exchange war stories about 0800. Everyone is welcome. |
| September 10-13 | Belleau Wood Detachment trip to Camp Lejeune, NC |
| October 5 | 1500—"The President's Own" at Springfield Ohio |
| October 17-19 | Department of Ohio Meeting, Baymont Inn at Rickenbacker |
| October 26 | Armed Forces Blood Drive—Army Reserve Center, N. Yearling Road |
| November 7 | Veteran's Day program at Hastings Middle School |
| November 9 | Belleau Wood Detachment MC Birthday Celebration—Sanese Busch Blvd. |

A word from the Commandant



Marines, Are there any of you who have a computer and might be interested in putting together this monthly newsletter? The format is pretty well laid out, and it appears that the toughest part of the job may be to get your Commandant to get his monthly offering in on time! Seriously, if you have an interest in supporting your detachment by coordinating the preparation of this newsletter, if you have a computer and enjoy finding Marine related information or articles that you think will be of interest to Belleau Wood, please contact me, and we will discuss the matter. It is easy to contact

me through our Detachment website at commandant@mcleague508.com or by phone at 614 262 9002. Remember...each of you can set up an email address through our Detachment website, thanks to Web Sergeant Dave Baran.

The tri-annual meeting of the Ohio Department is coming up October 17-19, and will be held at the Baymont Inn at Rickenbacker. There will be a Growl of the Devil Dogs there, most probably on Saturday night at about 1900, for any of you who are interested in joining the Fun and Honor Society of the Marine Corps League by going

through the 'initiation', and becoming a Pup, the first step before becoming a Pedigreed Devil Dog.

Jim Upper has set up our Detachment Birthday Luncheon for November 9th, at the Sanese Banquet Center, 6465 Busch Blvd, at 1230, the same place as last year. More info will come on that event, and will be on the website www.mcleague508.com.

Remember to check the website for up-to-date news, informational links, and other items. Don't forget, gifts and bequests to the League are fully tax-deductible. Semper Fidelis.

Detachment Meeting
Wednesday
September 17, 2008
1900

AMVETS Post 89
3535 Westerville
Road
Columbus, Ohio

Life Membership Dues increasing again

Age group	Current dues	As of 01/01/2009
0 - 35	\$400	\$500
36 - 40	\$300	\$400
41 - 50	\$350	\$400
51 - 60	\$250	\$300
61 - Over	\$125	\$150

Camp Lejeune Trip

September 10 through 13, 2008 is our Detachment trip to Camp Lejeune. Remember that transportation is your responsibility and that you must call the Motel to make your own reservations. Rental car and motel information are repeated here from last month's



newsletter. Rental cars are available at the Jacksonville airport. Some numbers are:
Hertz: 910-324-8022
National: 910-324-3282
Alamo: 888-743-2318
Dollar: 910-353-1777
Enterprise: 910-451-7744
Avis: 910-324-3321

Best Western, Courtyard Resort
603 N. Marine Blvd. (Rt. 17)
Jacksonville, NC 28540
Phone 910-455-4100
When making reservations mention that you are with Marine Corps League—Belleau Wood Det. 508,

ROK Marines

On April 15, 1949, the Republic of Korea Marine Corps (ROKMC) was founded in Deoksan airfield in Jinhae with an initial strength of 580 men, the ROKMC troops were issued with many leftover weapons from the Imperial Japanese Army used during World War II, including the 7.7 mm Type 99 Light Machine Gun. The Marine Corps carried out Suppression Operations against communist elements in Jinju and Jeju-do.; first saw combat action in the Korean War. During this conflict, foreign media dubbed the ROKMC the "Invincible Marines" after an incident in which a squad of ROK Marines

wiped out an entire battalion of Communist forces.

The ROKMC has approximately 25,000 personnel, and is organized into two divisions and one brigade under Headquarters Republic of Korea Marine Corps and primarily dedicated to protecting the nation's islands.

It has such responsibilities as landing operations, accomplished in coordination with the ROKN using landing craft, surface fleets and aircraft. ROK Marines have the ability to accomplish a variety of missions including ground battles, special fighting scenarios, facility protection and security services. To execute amphibious

operations, it possesses a range of amphibious equipment, including amphibious vehicles, as well as its own means of fire support. A major naval evolution during Foal Eagle 2000, an annual combined U.S. and Republic of Korea (ROK) exercise, was an amphibious assault launched by U.S. and ROK Marines from U.S. Navy ships belonging to 7th Fleet's permanently forward-deployed Amphibious Ready Group (ARG) based in Japan.



Pistol Team Firings

The following is a list of dates that Bowman can be at the Tri-county Sportsmans Club for pistol shooting. There is no charge for use of this facility, which is about 30 miles from downtown Columbus, near Amanda, Ohio. Interested parties contact Bowman at 208-

6223 to set up a shoot. Schedule it, and he will meet you there. Usually about 0930 will be the start time.

- 9-5
- 9-10
- 9-12
- 9-19
- 9-24

9-26

Semper Fi.
Scott Bowman

"Courage is endurance for one moment more ..."

Unknown Marine
Second Lieutenant in Vietnam

Membership

There were two new member last month and we need to keep on recruiting. It is imperative that we continue to work toward getting new members. Every member should continue working to recruit

two additional members this year.

Remember that dues have increased, as of January, so anyone joining now will have to include \$35 with their application.

March membership:	
Life	158
Regular	82
Honorary	3
Total	243



Welcome Aboard

Associate Member Steve Ebersole sponsor Upper joined the detachment at our last meeting.

Uniform Purchases take time

Anyone want uniform items for July 4 or the Camp Lejeune trip should get their order in as it can take two or three weeks for delivery. Anyone needing lettering for covers or uniform equipment should contact the Adjutant/Paymaster or Marine Upper at 764-9570. Alternately let them know your needs at the June meeting.

Rifle/Pistol Team

Members interested in shooting this summer should contact a member of the committee to see when events will be scheduled. Notice the data of this year's rifle match. Marine Maurer took home to heavy hardware from last year's meet.

New Detachment Web Site

Check out www.mcleague508.com to see our new detachment website

2008/2009 Committee Assignments for Belleau Wood Detachment

The Commandant serves on all committees. To have your name added or removed from a committee, contact the Commandant or Adjutant.

Awards

Rozzell 478-1703

Burial

As needed

Fund Raising

All members

Nominating

TBA

Public Information

Earl Bailey 429-0601

Toys for Tots

As needed

Birthday Ball

Upper

Johnson

Membership

All members

Parades & Observances

Volunteer needed

Rifle & Pistol

Maurer 262-9002

Muncy 267-5194

Bowman 208-6223

Telephone

Volunteer needed

Web Site

Baran 505-0185