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August and September 2009 • Call To Meeting

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

Wednesday, Aug 19, 2009 at 1900
Wednesday, Sept 16, 2009 at 1900

The monthly meetings start promptly at 1900 and seldom last more than one hour. Drop by, participate, and meet your fellow MCL members.

At the May meeting a motion was made, seconded, and passed by a majority vote to mail this newsletter bi-monthly rather than monthly. To do so will save the detachment about \$600 per year. The next issue will be for the months of October and November.

All meetings are held at Linden AMVETS Post 89 at 3535 Westerville Road, Columbus, Ohio. Any time severe weather is a factor, call Post 89 at 614-475-9007 to see if it's open. 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 help you.

Upcoming Activities and Events

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| August 21, | Pistol Shoots at Tri-County Sportsman Club with Bowman. Meet at |
| Sept 4. 18 | the intersection of Rts 674 and 22 east of Circleville, usually at 0900. |
| Oct 2 | Call Bowman at least 3 days before @208 6223 to let him know you're coming, and for full and final info for each scheduled shoot. |
| August 23 @1300. | Lima Company Family Day Picnic at Camp Mary Orton. Those who will be helping or think they will be helping with Toys for Tots are invited to stop by, say hello, meet the troops, have a beer and burger. |
| August 29 @0800 | MCL Annual Military Rifle Shoot at Blue Rock State Park south of Duncan Falls. ONLY \$20. Register by 8-8 at 330 889 2278. |

A word from the Commandant



If you are a member who lives in Franklin County, or in one of the counties which touch on Franklin, please step forward to help with Toys for Tots this year. Lima Company reservists will be humping and pumping as they prepare for their deployment, and will not be able to devote their customary efforts to the program as in past years. Belleau Wood member Retired GySgt Jim Weant, who has worked on T4T for 30 years, five of them here, has stepped forward to act as the coordinator of the program. We need people who can place donation boxes, and pick up the toys as necessary when contacted by the box location owner. This will necessarily be a team effort, and when we each help a little, a big job becomes a small job. Call Weant at 740 893 2169 to check in. Remember to check our web site for news, information, archived newsletters, and other items. And don't forget, along with your volunteer mileage, all gifts and bequests to our League are tax-deductible, just like your church donation. Semper Fi

Next Detachment Meetings

Weds, Aug 19, Sept 16

@1900

AMVETS Post 89

3535 Westerville Road

Columbus, Ohio

Life Membership Dues

| Age group | As of 01/01/2009 |
|--------------|------------------|
| Birth - 35 | \$500 |
| 36 - 40 | \$400 |
| 41 - 50 | \$400 |
| 51 - 60 | \$300 |
| 61 - Ancient | \$150 |

WANT A REAL MILITARY BURIAL?

The following link provides information for a veteran who wishes to be buried at sea. This program through the Department of the Navy is available to all five of the uniformed services.

<http://www.navy.mil/navydata/questions/burial.html>. You may choose to debark from Norfolk, San Diego, Jacksonville FL, Bremerton, or Honolulu, whichever suits your fancy. Let your family know where you would like your final swim call. SFi

Free Central Ohio Colleges For War on Terror Vets

Veterans who served after Sept. 10, 2001 can get a free ride at Ohio Wesleyan University and other central Ohio schools starting this fall. Tuition at the private Delaware college costs \$34,570 for 2009-10. That does not include room and board, which averages about \$8,604. "Ohio Wesleyan is proud to take this step to thank the nation's veterans for their dedicated service," President Rock Jones said this morning. Ohio Wesleyan is working with the Yellow Ribbon GI Education Enhancement Program to help veterans gain access to a "strong, liberal-arts education," Jones said. The campus is the latest central Ohio school to join the program.

Veterans also will be able to go tuition-free to Denison University in Granville, Ohio Dominican in Columbus and Otterbein in Westerville in the fall, as long as they qualify for admission to these schools. And the Columbus College of Art and Design will reduce tuition for eligible veterans by \$2,000 a semester or \$4,000 a year. The Yellow Ribbon Program allows colleges to work with the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs to provide free or reduced-cost tuition to eligible veterans. Assistance will be available to veterans for all four years of their college careers.

To be eligible, veterans must have served at least 36 months of active duty after Sept. 10, 2001. Those who were honorably discharged from active duty for a service-connected disability and who served 30 continuous days after Sept. 10, 2001, also are eligible, as are dependents of veterans who qualify for a transfer of entitlement under the Post-9/11 GI Bill. Participants who enroll full-time might also be entitled to a monthly housing allowance and a yearly stipend to help cover the costs of books and other supplies.

Upcoming Belleau Wood Marine Birthday Luncheon, 8 Nov.

The luncheon this year will be on Sunday, November 8, at 12 noon, at Post 89, at a cost of \$18 per person, where we have our regular meetings. The menu will be Breaded Pork, Roast Beef, Parsley Buttered Red Potatoes, Vegetable Medley, Salad, and Rolls. Drinks will be at Post cost. The October/November issue *should* have a form in this area of the newsletter which you can cut out and mail with your payment. If you wish to register and pay early, send it to the Gahanna address on page 1 of this newsletter, and specify that you are paying in advance of the form. Submitted by Webmaster Dave Baran.

HUNTING OPPORTUNITY FOR PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED 30-31 OCT

Preplan for this event. The AEP Ohio Wheelin' Sportsmen Ultimate Team-Up special deer hunt near McConnelsville, sponsored by AEP, the National Wild Turkey Federation and its Wolf Creek chapter and the Ohio Division of Wildlife, will be conducted Oct. 30-31. About 40 to 45 hunters will team up with an experienced guide to offer assistance in the field. Participants need not be confined to a wheelchair. The event is open to applicants with any physically challenging disability. Hunters must meet Ohio licensing requirements but don't need to be experienced deer hunters. Applications must be received by Sept. 4. For registration details, phone Dave Dingey at 740-962-1205 or Brian Cox at 740-962-1215. Anyone interested in becoming a sponsor can phone Dingey.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISABLED VETS

A free service to disabled vets. Log in, sign up, post your resume after getting help creating it, and it'll be out on the web for 90 days at www.jofdav.com. Once you register, you will have access to job postings at http://archive.jofdav.com/classified_ads.asp.

NATIONAL PURPLE HEART HALL OF HONOR

Those who have received this award, please register at [www/thepurpleheart.com](http://www.thepurpleheart.com) or call (877) 28HONOR (284-6667), or write to them at PO Box 207, 374 Temple Hill Road, Vails Gate, New York, 12584-0207. Semper Fi.

SEPTEMBER ROAD TRIP

Roger Bock and the MCFSC are going to Lejeune + New River. Depart on Sept 23rd for events on the 24th + 25th. Belleau Wood members are welcome. Pay a \$10 deposit, and he has all the information you'll need at 614 783 7420.

Rifle and Pistol Team Info & Report

The next pistol shoots are scheduled for Aug 21; Sept. 4, 18; Oct 2. If you bring your rifle to the shoot you can sight in on one of the long ranges. There may be an upcoming no-fee BW/MCL rifle match at this range, which would involve shooting the basic positions (as in the Zanesville shoot) with these exceptions: at 200 yards you will also shoot the sitting and prone rapid fire and then move on to the 300 where you would shoot the sitting and prone slow and rapid fire. Bowman is hoping to get the necessary special targets. Also, remember it costs \$10 to register your pistol score with National. The \$10 can be paid any time you shoot. This \$10 does not apply to shooting the NRA match in Zanesville on August 29th. If interested in shooting our rifle match, let range master Scott Bowman know at any of the summer pistol shoots, or whenever you can. If you intend to shoot, be sure to call Bowman @208 6223 early in the week. Sometimes schedules change. Plus, *if nobody calls a scheduled shoot will be canceled*. Semper Fi. Muncie/Bowman

2009 Welcome Aboards.

Ed 'Butch' Compton, Rick Rozzell sponsor.

Michael Langley, Mike Kurlless, sponsor

Danny Louiso, Scott Bowman, sponsor.

Make sure you have two of those application forms in your wallet for those Marines you run into now and then.

Uniform Purchases Information

Any members who want uniform items should contact Marine Upper at 764 9570 to find out how easy and rewarding it will be to you be our next Quartermaster.

Somebody step forward. C'mon. Please!!!

Rifle Pistol Team —prepare for 2009!

Get to your local ranges, and practice, practice, practice.

Get your weapons sighted in. Attend a pistol shoot.

Detachment Website, Email Addresses, etc.

If you would like an email address through our website, contact the webmaster. It's easy, and you will get an address ending in @mcleague508.com Go to our website, and take a look at some of the interesting USMC items there, at www.mcleague508.com.

Consider a tax deductible contribution to maintain our detachment website. Contributions are gratefully accepted. Help us stay in the 21st century. Semper Fi.

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

Compton 272 8091

Birthday Ball

Baran 505 0185

Johnson 898 0449

Burial

Ward, Rozzell, Eberle
Maurer, Muncy, Bailey

Membership

All members
All the time

Fund Raising

All members

Parades & Observances

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Nominating

TBA as needed

Rifle & Pistol

Muncy 267 5194
Bowman 208 6223

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Volunteer needed

Toys for Tots

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