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June and July 2009 • Call To Meeting

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

Wednesday, June 17, 2009 at 1900
Wednesday, July 15, 2009 at 1900
Wednesday, August 19, 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 August and September.

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

June 5, 6	Department MCL meeting at Radisson Hotel, North Olmstead
June, July	Pistol Shoots at Tri-County Sportsman Club with Bowman. Meet at the intersection of Rts 674 and 22 east of Circleville, usually at 0900. Call Bowman at 208 6223 to let him know you're coming, and for full and final info for each scheduled pistol shoot. Dates inside.
August	Date to be determined. Lima Company Family Day Picnic at Camp Mary Orton for those who will be helping with Toys for Tots.

A word from the Commandant



My sincere apologies to the Detachment, the Department, the League and the veterans in and the families of those veterans at Eastlawn Cemetery. I failed to assign a particular person to pick up the flags, and the person that picked them up last year and brought them to Post 89 did not do so this year. My thanks to Dan Wilkinson, who brought about 750 flags he collected last year, which were what we placed. This learning experience for me will not be forgotten in the future. It won't happen again.

My thanks to all the members who placed flags Saturday, and attended the Broad Street Bridge and Eastlawn cemetery ceremonies, and to the Sea Scouts and Lima Company for providing color guards and rifle and bugle details. And thanks to those who made the Tuesday flag pickup. Remember to check our website for news, information, and other items. And don't forget—all gifts and bequests to our League are tax-deductible. Semper Fidelis

Next Detachment Meeting

Wednesday June 17, 2009

@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

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>

Military Appreciation Day at Old Navy

The 1st of every month is military appreciation day at Old Navy stores across the U.S. For all active duty, Reserve & Guard, retirees, and family members. Just show a military ID card at checkout for a 10% discount.

After Action Report OSU ROTC Color Parade & Awards

Four Marines of the Belleau Wood Detachment participated in the 45th annual Color Parade in OSU stadium on May 15th where past detachment Commandant Richard Rozzell presented awards to GySgt Sean Eversole and Midshipman First Class Donald Turner. These awards represent recognition of outstanding accomplishments and leadership demonstrated during the past year of these two future Marine officers. Midshipman Turner served as Mike Company Executive Officer, responsible for overseeing Marine Corps functions. GySgt Eversole is a Maine Enlisted Commissioning Education Program (MECEP) student and a leader among his peers. The OSU Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps unit's mission is to educate and train qualified young men and women for service as unrestricted line commissioned officers in the Navy or Marine Corps. Submitted by Marine Eberle.

Upcoming Belleau Wood Marine Birthday Luncheon

The luncheon this year will be on Sunday, November 8, at 12 noon, at Post 89, at a cost of \$18 per person, at Post 89, 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. A future issue of this newsletter, most probably the October/November issue, which will be out in early October, will 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.

REGARDING THE NRA FREE MEMBERSHIP

The NRA is giving FREE 1-yr memberships to everyone who wants to join. They are trying to build up their membership to fight pending legislation that impacts the right to keep and bear arms. If you wish to be counted as a supporter of the 2nd Amendment, add your name to the list of members. It is very important that those with anti-gun mindsets see how many law-abiding citizens believe in the right to bear arms. Initially, the free memberships included subscriptions to their magazine, but the response was overwhelming, and as of April, the membership is free, but to get the magazine you have to pay. To learn more about this benefit, go to <https://www.nrahq.org/nrabonus/accept-membership.asp>.

RETURNING VETERANS LINK—PASS IT ON

Dateline: WASHINGTON (April 20, 2009) - The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has launched its new "Returning Veterans" Web site -- <http://www.oefiof.va.gov/> -- to welcome home Veterans of the Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts with a social, Veteran-centric Web site focusing on their needs and questions.

Rifle and Pistol Team Report

The next three month's shoots will be on June 12, 26, July 10, 24 and Aug 7, 21. This is the summer schedule .Don't forget, if you bring your rifle to the shoot you can sight in there on one of the long ranges. If there is enough interest we could shoot a MCL rifle match, 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. Special targets can be purchased to shoot the required 600 prone from the 300 yard line . Please remember it costs \$10 to register your pistol score with National. The \$10 can be paid any time you shoot and if we get enough interest to register your rifle scores it will be an additional \$10 making your total \$20. This \$20 does not apply to shooting the NRA match in Zanesville this August . If interested in shooting the MCL rifle match, let range master Scott Bowman know at any of the summer pistol shoots, or whenever you can. I have USMC caps with embroidered fronts to show that participants are members of the 508 Rifle and Pistol Team. Check them out. They sell at cost. Semper Fi . Mike Muncie

2009 Welcome Aboards.

No new members sworn at the May meeting. Make sure you have two of those application forms in your wallet.

Uniform Purchases Information

Any members who want uniform items should still contact Marine Upper, who will soon step down as detachment Quartermaster. Call him at 764 9570 to find out what it takes, and how easy and rewarding it will be to you. 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. Consider the August rifle shoot, and get ready for it.

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

Rozzell 478 1703

Burial

Ward, Rozzell, Eberle
Maurer, Muncy, Bailey

Fund Raising

All members

Nominating

TBA as needed

Public Information

Earl Bailey 429 0601

Toys for Tots

As needed
(Soon to be all
who will help)

Birthday Ball

Baran 505 0185
Johnson 898 0449

Membership

All members
All the time

Parades & Observances

Steve Stiverson
740 815 8231

Rifle & Pistol

Muncy 267 5194
Bowman 208 6223

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Volunteer needed

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