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# Mahoning and Shenango Valleys Chapter

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## Marines at YARS Repair and Maintain Vehicles

By LTC Mike Wisniewski

On Thursday July 28, the MSVC-MOAA hosted another well attended Steak Fry at the picnic pavilion at the Youngstown Air Reserve Station in Vienna. Thirty four members of the Chapter feasted on bacon-wrapped fillet mignon, baked potato, corn on the cob, garden salad, fruit salad, and rolls. CW3 Todd Klink, the commanding officer of CLB 453 Maintenance Company, Detachment 3, was introduced by President Gary Williams. Many folks in the community do not realize that the YARS is a Joint Service Base meaning that it is home to more than just Air Force units and personnel. One such unit is Detachment 3, a 100 man Reserve Marine unit, part of the 453 Combat Logistics Battalion whose Headquarters is in Aurora, Colorado. The unit currently has 9 authorized full time Reservists and the unit authorized strength is scheduled to increase to 140 next year. Here to serve a year of duty, CW3 Klink is patiently waiting to retire in August of 2018. But while he is here his mission is to train, teach, and educate marines to fix, repair, and maintain wheeled vehicles that are shipped from all over the United States, even as far away as California. However, his unit does provide General Support maintenance to many Marine Reserve



CW3 Todd Klink, USMC receives MSVC flag set from chapter President LTC Gary Williams.

units in Ohio and Western Pennsylvania. Many of the unit members are put on active duty orders for varying periods of time so that the unit can accomplish its maintenance mission. He mentioned one of his favorite programs—Toys for Tots which has been synonymous with the Marines for many years. The Toys for Tots program has already started collecting donations for this Christmas.

Following CW3 Klink's presentation, LTC Rod Hosler presented the membership with an update on the Ohio Council of Chapters Convention which the MSVC-MOAA will host at the YARS in September 2017. Much planning has already taken place and a time-table established to coordinate all the activities that must be sequenced in order to have a successful convention. Keep reading this newsletter as more information will be provided in the coming months.



Former 1<sup>st</sup> LT's Jim Fairbanks and Irv Maurer



Fr. Remus Bleahu & Fr. Maj Daniel Rohan



Ilona & MAJ Pete Mihai



Frm 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Dennis McMahon & Maj Jack Russell



SSG Dawnle & LTC Larry Scheetz



Frm CPT Ralph DeLucia and CPT Rob Hanni



CW4 Bill & Ginny Meshot



Lt Col Ralph & Beth Minton



CAPT Bill & Margie Sweeney



## Safety Rules for MSVC Gun Shoot and Picnic

We are looking forward to hosting a first of its kind event for the members of the Mahoning and Shenango Valleys Chapter of MOAA, the opportunity to fire military weapons of past and present. We want everyone to enjoy themselves, but want everyone to return with all limbs, digits, and senses intact. Safety will be imperative. Please follow all guidelines and common sense when handling weapons.

### Basic Gun Safety Rules

- Always keep your gun pointed in a safe direction.
- Always keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.
- Know your target and what is beyond.
- Store gun so it is not accessible to unauthorized persons.
- Use a quality holster that fully covers the trigger guard.
- Keep gun handling and holster adjustment to a minimum.

### Transportation of firearms

We want you to handle all firearms safely, and legally. Here are the guidelines for handling firearms in the State of Ohio:

#### Rifles:

If the firearm is at least twenty-four inches in overall length as measured from the muzzle to the part of the stock furthest from the muzzle and if the barrel is at least eighteen inches in length, either in plain sight with the action open or the weapon stripped, or, if the firearm is of a type on which the action will not stay open or which cannot easily be stripped, in plain sight.

#### Handguns:

##### If you do not have a Concealed Carry Handgun Permit:

Your firearm must be unloaded, and the firearm is to be carried in one of the following ways:

1. In a closed package, box, or case;
2. In a compartment that can be reached only by leaving the vehicle;
3. In plain sight and secured in a rack or holder made for the purpose;

##### If you have a valid Concealed Carry Handgun Permit:

Loaded handguns and magazines may be on your person or stored anywhere in your vehicle.

### At the Range

Preparation. Bring hearing and eye protection.

No alcoholic beverages may be consumed while we are on the range.

We will have at least one Range Safety Officer. Obey commands to keep the range safe. If you exhibit unsafe behavior, you may be asked to leave the range.

Keep their firearms unloaded and actions open when arriving or departing a range.

Use proper ammunition for the weapon. For example, an AR-15 chambered in .223 can fire .223 but not 5.56. But an AR-15 chambered in 5.56 may fire .223 or 5.56.

We will be sharing weapons to fire. If you are unfamiliar with a weapon you desire to shoot, get operating and safety instruction from the owner before heading to the firing line.

Weapons will not be handled while there are people down range. ECI's should be used if available.

You will be instructed as to when it is permitted to bring weapons to the firing line. All weapons brought to the firing line will have the actions to remain open until the range is hot.

When the range is hot, weapons may be loaded and fired upon proper command.

Use only the provided paper targets. Shoot only at the target in your lane. Do not cross fire.

When you have finished firing your weapon, safe your weapon, and place it on the bench or ground, and then you may step away from the firing line. Safe your weapon by removing the magazine and opening the action.

### Current weapons available for shooting:

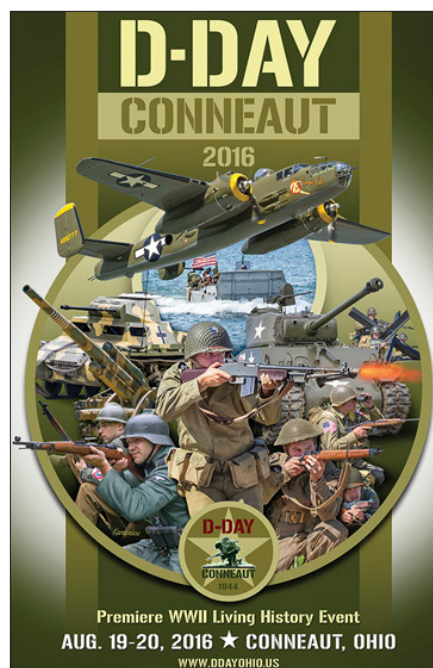
#### Rifles

1903A3 .30-06 / 7.62 x 54  
M-1 . . . . .30-06 / 7.62 x 54  
M-1 . . . . .30-06 / 7.62 x 54  
AR-15 . . . . .556 x 45  
AR-15 . . . . .556 x 45  
Mosin Nagant .762 x 54R  
AK-47 . . . . .7.62 x 39

#### Pistols

Colt Model .38 Officers  
. . . . .38 Long  
1911 . .45 ACP FMJ  
9mm . . . . .9 mm  
Ruger P89 . .9 x 19

For more information, please contact Bruce Bille, cell/text: 330-333-0397, or e-mail: [BBille.usna.82@gmail.com](mailto:BBille.usna.82@gmail.com)





## FY 2017 Defense Authorization Bill Health Care Issues

Issue	Senate (S. 2943)	House (H.R. 4909)	MOAA Position
<b>TRICARE For Life (TFL)</b>	No changes (rejects DoD-proposed enrollment fee of up to 2 percent of retired pay)	Same as Senate	MOAA appreciates House and Senate rejection of DoD-proposed TFL enrollment fee
<b>TRICARE Prime</b>	24-percent enrollment fee increase to \$350/\$700 (individual/family) effective Jan. 1, 2018	Grandfather currently serving and retired beneficiaries against DoD-proposed increases, but apply similar hike to new service entrants after Jan. 1, 2018	Support House bill protections for current eligibles
<b>TRICARE Standard</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ \$150/\$300 (individual/family) enrollment fee as of Jan. 1, 2018; increasing to \$450/\$900 for 2023</li> <li>■ Index annually after 2023 by CPI health cost index</li> <li>■ Double deductible to \$300/\$600</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ \$100/\$200 enrollment fee as of Jan. 1, 2020</li> <li>■ Index annually by COLA percentage</li> <li>■ No change in deductible</li> <li>■ Apply Senate-like increases to new service entrants after Jan. 1, 2018</li> </ul>	MOAA believes there should be no enrollment fee for TRICARE Standard — but the House provision is the least objectionable of these options
<b>Catastrophic Cap on Out-of-Pocket Expenses</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Raise as of Jan. 1, 2018, to \$1,500 for currently serving families and to \$4,000 for retired families</li> <li>■ Adjust annually after 2018 by COLA percentage</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Retain current caps at \$1,000 for currently serving and \$3,000 for retired families</li> <li>■ Apply increases only to new service entrants after Jan. 1, 2018</li> </ul>	Prefer House provision
<b>TRICARE Access and Quality Issues</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Eliminate preauthorization for urgent and specialty care</li> <li>■ Other initiatives to improve beneficiary access, care quality, and system productivity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Eliminate preauthorization for urgent care</li> <li>■ Other initiatives to improve beneficiary access, care quality, and system productivity</li> </ul>	Support these provisions of both the Senate and House bills
<b>Military Health Care Consolidation</b>	Consolidate responsibility for military health care delivery, budgeting, and facilities under Defense Health Agency	Similar consolidation requirement	MOAA long has supported unified responsibility for budget, policy, and delivery consistency
<b>Pharmacy Copayments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Require annual increases that roughly would double copayments in nine years</li> <li>■ Impose \$11 copayment (versus current zero) for mail-order generics as of 2020</li> </ul>	No change to current law	Support House position; pharmacy copayments already have been doubled or tripled in past five years

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**FY 2017 Defense Authorization Bill Non-Health Care Issues**

Issue	Senate (S. 2943)	House (H.R. 4909)	MOAA Position
<b>Military Pay Raise</b>	Cap pay raise at 1.6 percent	Provide 2.1-percent pay raise (matching private sector)	Support House provision
<b>Force Levels</b>	USA reduced 15,000 USN reduced 6,300 USAF reduced 3,700 USMC reduced 2,000 ARNG reduced 7,000 USAR reduced 3,000	USA increased 5,000 USN reduced 4,500 USAF increased 285 USMC increased 1,000 ARNG increased 8,000 USAR increased 7,000	Support House provisions
<b>Housing Allowance Reform</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cap monthly allowance at lower of grade-applicable rate or actual housing expenses</li> <li>For dual-military couples or housing sharers, divide BAH by number of servicemembers in domicile</li> </ul>	No change to current law	Support House position; Senate bill would penalize thousands of dual-military couples, junior enlisted roommates, and senior homeowners \$10,000 to \$20,000 a year or more
<b>Commissary</b>	Similar provisions to House bill	Allow variable pricing strategies and “house brand” products at commissaries nationwide, but specify current patron savings and satisfaction must be maintained	Prefer House version, which provides more transparency/oversight on changes, but both versions commit to preserving current level of patron savings and satisfaction
<b>Special Survivor Indemnity Allowance (SSIA) for SBP/DIC Dual-Eligibles</b>	Make SSIA permanent at the \$310 monthly rate	Extend SSIA for one year (through FY 2018) at the \$310 monthly rate	MOAA appreciates provisions to extend SSIA; however, the monthly rate needs to be increased, with the goal of phasing out SBP-DIC offset
<b>Former Spouse Protection Act</b>	Similar provision to House bill	Retired pay amount divisible with former spouses to be based on grade and years of service at time of divorce (for future divorces only)	Support both House and Senate provisions
<b>Selective Service Registration</b>	Require males and females to register	Require DoD report on continued utility of registration	Support House report; if need continues, support service chiefs' views on universal registration
<b>Spouse/Family PCS Flexibility</b>	Authorize spouse/family relocation up to six months before or after the servicemember	No provision	Support Senate provision

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Military Status \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Name \_\_\_\_\_

Component \_\_\_\_\_ Branch of Service \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Active \*(Regular)— ☐ Reserve\*— ☐ National Guard\*  
 \*Free chapter membership if under government contract.  
*A non military email address is preferred, return this form*

☐ Regular Member (Retired, Former, Active\* Officer of the seven uniformed US Services **Membership \$20/year**)

☐ Surviving Spouse is available for surviving spouse of a military officer **Membership \$10/year**

☐ Spouse (local MOAA chapter only, not national, spouse is member of chapter) **Membership \$20/year**

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse DOB \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Newsletters will be emailed, if you prefer postal service, check this box

Member of MOAA National ☐ Yes ☐ No # \_\_\_\_\_

**Chapter dues from now to Dec. 31, 2017 \$20**


Make Check Payable to: **MSVC-MOAA** mail to address on right

You may pay regular and surviving spouses dues (not spouses) with a credit card at: [www.moaa.org](http://www.moaa.org)  
 you may use credit card and PayPal and paid, regular, spouses and auxiliary dues at [msvc-moaa.org/membership](http://msvc-moaa.org/membership)

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## Mahoning and Shenango Chapter Blue Star Families

Son of Mark and Patty Andrews Maj Matt Andrew, USAF, Randolph AFB in San Antonio, TX. Air Education and Training Command (AETC)	
Son of Jim & Carrie Hosack, LTJG Brennan Hosack, USN, Sasebo, Japan. Serving on the USS Green Bay.	
Son of Tom & Julia MacRae Maj John MacRae, USAF, Elgin AFB, Florida F35 instructor pilot.	
Sons of Rick & Janice Morgan LTC Andrew Morgan, USA, at NASA, Johnson Space Center, Houston, TX LCDR Benjamin Morgan, USCG, with International Ice Patrol, New London, CT	
Grandson of Tom & Marla Raseta A1C Joshua Raseta, USAF, Hill AFB, Ogden, UT, F16 Fighter Squadron.	
Son of Gary & Patty Williams LTC G. Tim Williams, USAR, Camp Lemonnier in Djibouti, Africa	
Son of Rick & Kelly Williams — PFC Garrett Williams, USA at Joint Base Lewis-McChord (2 <sup>nd</sup> BN) 75 <sup>th</sup> Ranger Regiment	
Son of Mike and Barb Wisniewski CPT Steven Wisniewski, USA in Germany, UH-72 Lakota helicopter pilot	
<b>Active Duty Chapter Members</b>	
Maj Scott Allen, USAFR, Youngstown Air Force Reserve Station	
MAJ Robert Davidson, YSU ROTC PMS, retiring this summer	
CDR David Di Tallo, USN, retiring this fall	
Col James Dignan, USAFR, Youngstown Air Force Reserve Station	
LTC Wil Kline, USAR, Norfolk, Virginia	
Rev Michael Marcelli, USN Chaplain, USS John F. Kennedy	
LT BJ Sacramento, USN, Youngstown Navy Reserve Center	
MAJ, Lisa Stremel, USA, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii	

YSU ROTC Graduates
2013—1LT Eric Hippley, USA, Elmendorf/Richardson Alaska
2013—1LT Jacob Rafidi, USA, Germany
2014—2LT Tyler Strohecker, USA Fort Rucker Alabama training for HH-60M Blackhawk helicopters
2014—2LT Lorin Davis, USA, Wheeler Army Airfield, Hawaii
2014—2LT James Stiger, USA Republic of Korea
2015—2LT Jared Hideg, Eastern Texas in the Texas National Guard as a Fire Direction Officer for the 1/133 <sup>rd</sup> FA.
2016—2LT Candi Burrows, Military Intelligence, Ft. Campbell, Kentucky
2016—2LT Adam Hoover, Chemical Corps, Ft. Leonard Wood, MO then Korea
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## Chapter Recruitment 2016, Members recruited as of 8/5/2016

<u>Chapter Category</u>	<u>Chapter Code</u>	<u>Chapter Name</u>	<u>Chapter Members Added</u>	<u>Receiving Incentives for</u>
Category - 03 (67 to 99)	AR01	Central Arkansas Chapter of MOAA	8	6
	AR08	Bella Vista Arkansas Chapter	3	3
	AZ03	Green Valley Chapter, MOAA	5	4
	AZ11	Grand Canyon Chapter	15	14
	CA02	MOAA, Bakersfield Chapter	1	0
	CA28	MOAA, Palm Springs Chapter	5	2
	CA43	Santa Maria-Lompoc Chapter	1	1
	DE01	Dover Chapter	2	1
	FL08	Clearwater Chapter	24	13
	FL32	MOAA, Citrus County Chapter, Inc.	3	3
	GA02	Athens Area MOAA	6	5
	GA17	South Georgia Chapter	5	5
	GA18	Georgia Mountain Chapter	2	2
	IL08	Quad Cities Chapter	5	4
	KS08	Sunflower Chapter - MOAA	1	1
	LA07	Pelican Chapter	4	2
	NC11	Catawba Valley Chapter	2	2
	NC20	Central Carolina Chapter	3	0
	NM03	Mesilla Valley Chapter of MOAA	1	1
	OH10	Mahoning and Shenango Valleys Chapter	16	12
	RI02	Southeastern New England Chapter	4	3
	SC09	Piedmont Chapter	4	3
	SC12	The Star Fort Chapter	6	3
	SD02	Great Plains Chapter	3	1
	TN05	Mountain Empire Chapter	2	1
	TN06	Upper Cumberland Chapter	4	4
	TX33	Greater Granbury Chapter	10	6

### What do the numbers mean?

This year, as of August 5<sup>th</sup> the Mahoning and Shenango Valleys Chapter have added 12 new chapter members that also belong to MOAA national. We added four 2LT's to the chapter in May but we don't receive an incentive for those, so that is the reason why the number 16. Some chapters have multiple ROTC programs in their area, this keeps recruitment fair. Our 12 is 2 behind the Grand Canyon Chapter and 1 behind the Clearwater chapter.

Any new members that join the chapter now, their \$20 will pay for their MSVC membership to the end of 2017. MOAA national offers a Basic three year membership that is totally electronic for FREE. If an individual joins MOAA national for the first time as a premium member \$40, MOAA will provide you with a voucher for one year free chapter membership, which the chapter will honor till December 2017.

Here is the best deal, if you know of an officer that is on active duty, the chapter membership is FREE also MOAA

electronic membership is FREE for three years. The chapter won our category in 2012, 2103, 2014 in which we receive a monetary reward from MOAA national. It would be great to start a run again. A member has to be a MOAA national and a new chapter member. Surviving spouses count too.

MOAA national provides a list of MOAA national members that live in our area if you wish to look at it.

Questions contact Janet Oglesby, her information is on page five. Paper applications are available for both chapter and MOAA national memberships.

**An update on our membership MSVC has 100 officers, 4 surviving spouses and 13 spouses. The percentage of chapter members that belong to MOAA national membership is 92%. That is something that chapter members can pat yourself on the back about!**



## **MSVC-MOAA Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at Vienna Fish & Game Club, RSVP by August 16<sup>th</sup>** **Military Rifle & Pistol Shoot**

Vienna Fish & Game Club, 1508 Youngstown-Kingsville Rd. (Rt. 193), Vienna, OH 44473.

The evening will start off the event by offering our members a special opportunity to fire military pistols and rifles at the rifle range. A stocked pond for fishing is also on site.

### **Schedule:**

- 4:30–5:00 Range prep.
- 5:00–5:15 Range Safety Briefing
- 5:15–6:15 Rifle and Pistol Shoot
- 6:15–6:30 Police the brass / range cleaning
- 6:30–8:00 Picnic dinner—\$5

The following will be provided by MSVC board: pulled pork sandwiches, plates, bowls, cups, plastic ware and table cloths. Beverages of decaf coffee and water.

Members BRING potluck, casseroles, salads, fresh fruit, desserts. Please bring a serving spoon or spatula for your dish with your name on it. Electricity is available for crock pots. There is a refrigerator and a stove.

RSVP: Not necessary but, appreciated by August 16.

Janet Oglesby (330) 568-4456 leave a message or email  
[djo52800@neo.rr.com](mailto:djo52800@neo.rr.com)

### **This is a new activity for the chapter so please...**

...see the detail instructions on page two for safety rules.

...arrive before 4:30, it is a long driveway back to the shooting range. If you are not there for the safety instructions you will not be permitted to shoot.

**Bring cash for ammo, approx. \$5 per clip.**

### **MSVC-MOAA 2016 Calendar**

Date	Location and Program
8/19-20	D-Day Conneaut Premier WWII Living History Event. Bigger than previous years.
9/22	MSVC at YARS dinner, speaker Gary Borman WWII restorer of military equipment.
10/22	<i>Ohio Council of Chapters Meeting, Columbus</i>
10/21	MSVC at YARS annual business meeting, at 1300
11/18	MSVC at YARS 1300 program TBA
12/4	MSVC and ROA Christmas Party
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