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An Evening of World War II Militaria

by LTC Rod Hosler

Gary and Becky Borman of Canfield presented a program about World War II militaria collecting, vehicle restoration and reenacting. Dressed out in World War II uniforms Gary and Becky presented a slide show high lighting World War II militaria collecting, vehicle restoration and reenacting that they have participated in. Some of the items on display were World War II uniforms items and photographs of veterans. The slide show identified the restoration of a World War II jeep and reenactments at D-Day Conneaut and World War II uniforms and equipment to include mannequins depicting World War II soldiers in full uniforms and equipment. Most impressive! Gary is a retired engineer and fire chief from Beaver Township and Becky is a retired school teacher.



Many pieces of militaria had a local story behind them.



Gary & Becky Borman received the MSVC flag set from President LTC Gary Williams

Celebrating Our Fifth Year Anniversary

On Thursday, October 27, 2011, these individuals in the picture along with four spouses met at YARS for an organizational dinner meeting. At this meeting, the name of the chapter was changed from Valley to Valleys. The bylaws were approved. The following officers were elected. John Holzer, Walt Duzzny, Dick Calta, Don Rasile. The application for affiliation with MOAA was voted on and approved. Dick Calta of the Ohio Council of Chapters, formally requested affiliation of MSVC with MOAA the next day. The MOAA Council & Chapter Affairs Board approved MSVC affiliation on October 28, 2011 at their annual meeting in Texas. The charter was presented to the chapter in February 2012. The board decided that to celebrate our 5th anniversary on October 28, 2016.



Walt Duzzny and Dick Calta have been asked to share their thoughts of the proceedings before the October 27, 2011 meeting. Anybody can share. A MOAA gift to those who attend and are MOAA members. There will be a cake, of course.

President's ponderings

by LTC Gary Williams



Well, fall & October have arrived, so plan on attending our October 28th luncheon meeting on Friday beginning at 1300 hrs at the Yars, celebrating our 5th anniversary of the founding of the local MSVC-MOAA. I will also be returning from Washington, DC, about that time, with our 3rd consecutive 4-star streamer for being one of the better chapters. I'll be presented to you, the membership for all your efforts in helping us to achieve that honor. I, along with all your board members, would like to genuinely thank all of you for hard work in helping us to become one of the fastest growing MOAA chapters in the USA! Keep up the great work by asking any others you might know to become a part of this movement and organization.

Gary

Chapter Member Doing Doctoral Study Need: Members who are presently serving in United States Army or Air Force Reserve, or National Guard/Air National Guard

I am a doctoral student at Adler University in Chicago, Illinois, and I am seeking participants for an online research study for my doctoral dissertation, "**Suicidal Ideation Among US Military Reserve and Guard Members: A Test of the Interpersonal-Psychological Theory of Suicidal Behavior.**" This study will examine interaction of thwarted belongingness and perceived burdensomeness on suicidal ideation among US military reserve and guard members, and thereby aims to provide a clearer understanding of how suicidal ideation develops among this subpopulation.

Individuals must be members of the United States Army or Air Force Reserve, or National Guard/Air National Guard to participate. The survey will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. Participation is anonymous and voluntary.

To participate in this online research study, please use the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LMS-tremel>

Please feel free to forward this announcement to any other Reserve and Guard members who may be interested in participating.

The principle investigator for this research study is Lisa M. Stremel, M.S., and has been approved by the Adler University Institutional Review Board. The protocol # for this study is: 16-077. You can contact the researcher with questions or for additional information at Lstremel@my.adler.edu or 808-433-1066, the faculty advisor, Grady Osten-Garner, Ph.D., at ggarner@adler.edu or 312-662-4345, or Adler University IRB at irb@adler.edu.

MSVC-MOAA 2016 – 2017 Calendar

Date	Location and Program
10/14-15	YSU Veterans and ROTC Alumni Reunion Weekend
10/22	Ohio Council of Chapters Meeting, Columbus
10/28	MSVC at YARS at 1300 NOTE DATE CHANGE and TIME
11/8	Election Day
11/10	Retiree Appreciation Day at YARS 1000–1400 at the USO building #201.
11/11	Veterans Day
11/18	MSVC at YARS 1300 program TBA NOTE DATE
12/4	MOAA and ROA Christmas Party, The Manor in Austintown
1/27	MSVC at YARS 1300 program TBA
1/28	Ohio Council of Chapters Meeting, Columbus
2/24	MSVC at YARS 1300 program TBA
3/24	MSVC at YARS 1300 program TBA
4/22	Ohio Council of Chapters Meeting, Columbus
4/28	MSVC at YARS 1300 program TBA
5/20	Armed Forces Day Buhl Park
5/25	MSVC at YARS 1830 program ROTC/JROTC
6/22	MSVC at Golden Corral, Hermitage at 1830. Topic: Camp Reynolds a WWII Camp located in Reynolds, Pennsylvania
7/22	Ohio Council of Chapters Meeting, Columbus
7/27	MSVC Vienna Rod and Gun Club, Shoot-em, picnic supper
8/24	MSVC at YARS Steak Fry/Corn Roast legislative night
9/22-23	MSVC hosting MOAA state convention. It will be the MSVC members assistance and attendance that will make it a success.
9/24	Ohio Council of Chapters Meeting, YARS
10/27	MSVC at YARS 1300 program TBA
11/17	MSVC at YARS 1300 program TBA
12/3	MOAA and ROA Christmas Party
YARS - Youngstown Air Reserve Station, Vienna, Ohio TBA - To be announced Suggestions for programs contact: Florence Hosler	

Speakers Needed

The Veterans Service Commission is developing a speaker's bureau. Request for speakers on Veterans Day, Memorial Day and other related veterans events would be routed through the bureau. Contact Rod Hosler if you are interested in being a speaker. His contact information is on page 3.



At our October–November MSVC chapter meetings a box for Toy-for-Tots will be available if you wish to donate to this program.

Legislative Issues – October 2016

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DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET

September 7, 2016

Mr. John Koshan
525 Obermeyer Rd
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Dear Mr. Koshan:

Thank you for contacting me with your thoughts on defense spending. I value your input on this important issue. As a Member of Congress, one of my key duties is to promote accountability in the budget, avoid unnecessary spending, and be a careful steward of your tax dollars. At the same time, attempts to address our deficit during the budget and appropriations processes must carefully consider our nation's critical needs, program effectiveness, and economic outlook.

Being from the Mahoning Valley, I often think of the servicemembers at the Youngstown Air Reserve Station who work tirelessly each day to keep our nation safe and the duty I have to ensure they have what they need to do their jobs. Earlier this year, the House Appropriations Committee passed the Fiscal Year 2017 Defense Appropriations bill, and I am proud to have played an integral part in its formation as a member of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense. I am pleased that we were able to give a much deserved pay raise to our troops, create new medical research programs, and increase funding for the Sexual Assault Special Victims Counsel Program and improved cybersecurity. Furthermore, I am encouraged that this legislation prohibits funding to pay for a new BRAC round protecting our existing military bases from closure.

While I supported most aspects of this legislation, I am disappointed by House Republicans' failure to provide a full year's funding to the men and women bravely fighting for our nation. By shifting money away from Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO), the next president will be forced to request supplemental funds just weeks after taking the oath of office. Our men and women in uniform put their lives on the line for our country. I believe it is our most fundamental responsibility to ensure that our troops have the resources they need to complete their missions and that they are compensated accordingly.

Rest assured that I will continue to work with my Congressional colleagues to shape a path forward that ensures American security, while also making sure our men and women in uniform are protected and provided for when they return home. Thank you again for your correspondence.

Sincerely,

Tim Ryan
Member of Congress

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Legislative Update – October 2016

Legislative Affairs Chair, COL John Koshan

Typical of our legislators they have once again kicked the can down the road. Congress has failed to reach an agreement on an appropriations bill for FY2017, and so, as they have so many times before, passed a Continuing Resolution (CR). This CR allows the government to operate until December 9, and lets the legislators return to their districts for campaigning.

The CR funds most government departments at current levels for the next two months. This includes the defense department also. Even though there is funding available this CR does not permit any new programs or initiatives to start. Basically maintaining the current status quo.

This limited action by our legislators also means that Congress must return for a “lame duck” session after the election to work out a new agreement to fund the government for the remainder of FY 2017.

A positive outcome of this process was that the CR included full/complete funding for the VA for 2017 and advance funding for 2018. This will allow planned improvements in benefit claims processing and medical research to continue without interruption.

We will have to wait at least another six weeks before Congress makes its final decisions on force levels, pay raises, TRICARE fees and other changes in the FY 2017 Defense Authorization Act, then of course on to the White House for approval. With some certainty we can anticipate some changes that were included in both the House and Senate versions of the Defense Bill. In particular, TRICARE changes that will include some restructuring of TRICARE Standard into a Preferred Provider network and an annual enrollment requirement and enrollment fee.

As we are all aware, the election cycle is well underway inundating all of us with advertisements of one sort or another. The stark contrast in our presidential candidates could not be greater. Each candidate has shared some of their thoughts on key issues facing the military in the latest issue of the Military Officer magazine. We each get to make our choice when we cast our vote, and vote we should as this is one of the most critical elections for the future of this great country of ours.

MSVC Mission Statement —Our Purpose

MSVC will promote the objectives of the Military Officers Association of America providing a uniform lobbying platform on behalf of the active duty, Reserve, Guard, retired, and former officers of the uniformed services and their spouses and families. Conduct activities which: perpetuate traditions, educate and inform members of world, national, and local events, which affect the current and former members of the U.S. military. Provide a fraternal and supportive community for members to network, socialize and promote camaraderie.

CVS to Leave TRICARE Pharmacy Network[®]

TRICARE pharmacy contractor Express Scripts, Inc., announced that CVS pharmacies, including those in Target stores, will no longer process prescriptions for TRICARE as of Dec. 1, 2016.

The good news is that Walgreens pharmacies will return to the TRICARE network on Dec. 1.

You may recall Walgreens left the TRICARE network in 2011 after Walgreens declined to accept TRICARE payment levels.

After experiencing drops in store revenue, Walgreens had a change of heart and has agreed to accept TRICARE payments.

Now it's CVS that's balking over the same issue, and TRICARE's answer is the same as it was previously for Walgreen's - pharmacies that don't agree to the TRICARE payment can't be in the TRICARE network.

The return of Walgreens means the TRICARE network will still include 57,000 retail pharmacies, and 98 percent of TRICARE beneficiaries will have a network pharmacy within five miles of home.

Beneficiaries who have been using CVS will be notified about how they can transfer their prescriptions to a nearby network pharmacy. Those who use certain specialty drugs will receive additional assistance.

If beneficiaries chose to fill a prescription at CVS after Dec. 1, it will be a non-network pharmacy. This means they will have to pay the full cost of the medication upfront, and file for partial reimbursement from TRICARE.

MSVC Membership

Membership in MSVC-MOAA shall be composed of: Men and women who are or have been commissioned or warrant officers of the seven United States uniformed services (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and Public Health Service). Surviving spouses of deceased individuals who, if living, would be eligible for membership. Chapter specific membership for spouses of present members and honorary members. MSVC-MOAA memberships are open to all eligible people.

To Join MOAA National:
use the web site www.moaa.org/join
or call 800-234-6622
watch video on why you should
https://youtu.be/CDmi_JmPuS8

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 MOAA is the country's leading organization
 protecting the rights of military servicemembers
 and their families.*

Membership Application for Mahoning and Shenango Valleys Chapter

Name: _____ Military Status _____ Spouse Name _____

Component _____ Branch of Service _____ Rank _____

☐ 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

You may use credit card and PayPal to paid, regular, spouses and surviving spouse dues at msvc-moaa.org/membership


☐ Active *(Regular) — ☐ Reserve* — ☐ National Guard*

*Free chapter membership if under government contract and you maintain a MOAA national membership.

A non military email address is preferred, return this form

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Son of Rick & Kelly Williams — PFC Garrett Williams, USA at Joint Base Lewis-McChord (2 nd BN) 75 th Ranger Regiment	
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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 rd FA.
2016—2LT Candi Burrows, Military Intelligence, Ft. Campbell, Kentucky
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Did you change your address, phone number, email, add a cell number? The chapter will be producing a directory in November. Notify Janet Oglesby of these changes.

Membership Meeting at YARS, Friday, 28 October at 1300 hr – RSVP by Thursday 27th by 0900 hr

Where: Youngstown AF Reserve Station
Community Activity Center
3976 King Graves Rd
Vienna, OH 44473

Who: Members, Spouses, Guests, Surviving Spouses

Social: 1230 no cash bar

Call to Order: 1300 (1:00 P.M.)

Lunch: 1315

Program: Celebrate our third 4-star streamer and our fifth anniversary as a chapter. There will be brief presentation of our chapter history. We'll conduct our sixth annual business meeting.

Attire: Causal

RSVP:

1. Email Janet Oglesby djo52800@neo.rr.com with your reservation and menu selection Make sure you state your selection with fries or salad/dressing.
2. Or call 330-568-4456 leave a message. Make sure you state your menu selection with fries or salad/dressing.
3. Use the web site www.msvc-moaa.org and pay with PayPal. It isn't required to have a PayPal account to use the system. You will answer "no" to the message asking if you have a PayPal account then you will be asked for credit card information. PayPal is a secure system.

Pre order from the following selections;

Club Sandwich, w/fries or side salad, beverage\$10.00
Ham, turkey, bacon, American & provolone cheese, lettuce, tomato and mayo

Reuben Sandwich, w/fries or side salad, beverage\$10.00
Marble rye, cornbeef, sauerkraut, swiss and dressing

Fish Sandwich, w/fries or side salad, beverage \$10.00
Tarter sauce and lettuce

Buffalo Chicken Wrap, w/fries or side salad, beverage .. \$10.00
Lettuce, tomato, onion, shredded cheddar, ranch and buffalo sauce

Chef Salad and beverage..... \$10.00
Cherry tomatoes, sliced red onions, cucumber, hard-boiled eggs, shredded cheddar and pepper jack cheese, julienne ham and turkey

Grill cheese sandwich, side salad, beverage \$7.00

Cup of Chili, side salad, beverage..... \$5.00
Chili on Fridays.

Side salad—tomatoes, cucumbers, black olives & cheese with your choice of Balsamic, Ranch, French, Italian dressing

Directions: The air base is on King Graves Road which can be accessed either off Rt. 193 or Rt. 11. After passing through the security gate on Arnold Rd., take the second left onto (Spaatz Rd.). The Community Activity Center (CAC), "Herb's Place", is building #113. (You'll see a loading dock, back entrance of CAC) Parking is available on either side of the building but it is easier to enter the dining area from the upper parking lot. (There are a few stairs.) The handicapped entrance is at the front of the building. There are signs that indicate that location.