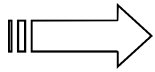


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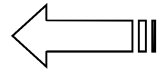
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Renew your dues – please see page 5!



The next scheduled chapter event will be on September 18 in place of our regular member meeting, as we focus our efforts on supporting a successful biennial State Convention - a responsibility for each Ohio chapter every twelve years. This years host is The Military Officers Club of Central Ohio. We urge your participation in this outstanding program.

OHIO STATE COUNCIL OF CHAPTERS BIENNIAL CONVENTION

**WHERE: Crowne Plaza Hotel, Columbus North
6500 Doubletree Ave., Columbus, OH (Just off I-71)
WHEN: Friday & Saturday, 18-19 September 2009**

An outstanding program featuring sterling speakers and an array of entertaining special activities, capped by a banquet is our next major activity. A full schedule of events was included in the last newsletter and is available at the Council's website at www.ohiomooaa.org or our website at www.cincymoaa.org. The convention is open to all Chapter members, however reservation were requested by 1 September for lunch and the banquet. For questions on availability of late reservations call Capt George Williams 614.537.1881 or Col John McCoy 614.864.8165

Get your reservations in NOW!!!

2009 CHAPTER OFFICERS AND BOARD

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PURPOSES OF THE GREATER CINCINNATI MOAA CHAPTER

The purposes of Military Officers Association of America as stated by national are printed on the outside of each Newsletter. The corresponding purposes of our Chapter as stated in our BYLAWS, Article II are:

- (a) To promote the purposes and objectives of the Military Officers Association of America
- (b) To foster fraternal relations among retired, active and former officers of the uniformed services.
- (c) To protect the rights and interests of personnel of the uniformed services and their dependents and survivors.
- (d) To provide useful services for members and their dependents and survivors.
- (e) To serve the community and the nation.

Your officers and Board members welcome your comments and suggestions on steps that may be taken to strengthen our Chapter and its benefits to all members.

LOCAL Chapter:

CinMoaa News is published to arrive at your home 10 days before each meeting. Articles and corrections for the News must be in the hands of editor 4 weeks before each meeting date. – Mail to CinMoaa News, 8099 Pepper Pike, West Chester, OH 45069. Or E-mail chmader@fuse.net.

For MOAA National information:

Visit the MOAA Web Site - INTERNET ADDRESS

[HTTP://www.moaa.org](http://www.moaa.org)

TAPS

If you know a member of MOAA who has past away, please let us know so we may pass it on.

MEETINGS - Mark your Calendars NOW! Watch www.cincymoaa.org for updates.

REGULAR MEETINGS FOR 2009

2009 Ohio State Council State Convention — September 18-20 at the Crown Plaza in Columbus

NEXT BOARD MEETING - Friday 2 Oct., 1300, XU ROTC

Spouses and guests are welcome at all meetings.

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MEYER ELECTED TO VETERANS HALL OF FAME

Past Chapter President, and State Council Vice President, Captain Jack Meyer USN Ret. has been elected to the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame. He and 19 others will be inducted by Governor Strickland on November 6th in Columbus. The Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame was established in 1992 to recognize Ohioans who served honorably in the Nation's Armed Services and then continued to contribute to the community, state and nation in an exemplary manner. Those contributions may be in the areas of professional, civic, veteran's advocacy, political or over the life of the nominee.

Commissioned Ensign, Supply Corps, USN, via NROTC at the University of California – Berkeley, he served three years as a Supply Officer in Pacific Fleet ships. He then transferred and served in the Ready Reserve for thirty years in a variety of billets, primarily in Seabee Battalions and DLA Units, twice earning the Defense Meritorious Serve Medal as C.O. of two different Navy leading units. He also spent 36 years in a variety of management positions with Procter & Gamble, often traveling to P&G organizations around the globe.

Well known by chapter members for his leadership in the Iraqi School Kits program and for spark-plugging the “best ever” 2007 State Convention, he also serves on the Board of Trustees of the South West Ohio Council on Aging and teaches AARP Driver Safety and English Learning classes. He also interviewed WWII veterans for the Library of Congress Oral History project and was a Trustee of Sycamore Fire and Rescue Company.

Well done, Jack

NEXT DINNER MEETING

Your Board is working on developing a major meeting with a prominent speaker, in conjunction with our program to honor our supported ROTC units, later this year – more later. WE NEED YOUR PARTICIPATION to support the kind of program envisioned. Please watch for a Newsletter describing the program and make an extra effort to attend. Many MOAA members are also involved with other military and patriotic organizations. Please feel free to invite like minded people to any of our functions. Call any Board member if you need assistance of any kind to attend.

New AMC Web site offers space-available travel info

SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, Ill. (AFRNS) -- Air Mobility Command here recently unveiled its first official, command-level AMC Travel Web site.

People planning to travel the AMC military travel system can now point their Web browsers to www.amc.af.mil/amctravel/index.asp for the latest in AMC travel information.

The site, which officially went live July 24, offers prospective space-available travelers a wealth of information, including an updated AMC passenger terminal contact list (complete with phone, e-mail and Web links), and more than a dozen travel documents, example letters and brochures.

WPAFB Retiree Appreciation Day

The next Retiree Appreciation Day is planned for Nov 13, 2009 at the Hope Hotel adjacent to Gate 12A of the base. The annual event features guest speakers, free medical screening, information booths, and door prizes.

For more information on upcoming events, or to volunteer, please call (937) 257-3221. Voice mail will take your call if no volunteers are available to answer.

HELP WANTED

We need to get our story out to the people who can help us achieve our aims as outlined in the Purposes of the Greater Cincinnati MOAA Chapter that is printed in each newsletter. A Public Affairs person is desired to have a few pictures taken at meetings and events and to put together an occasional story about our chapter for our newsletter editor and for the benefit of the chapter.

ANOTHER GREAT REASON TO JOIN OR RENEW CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP

General O'Brien identified in the last Board meeting another way MOAA is a very valuable resource for all of the military family. In this time of potentially great change in Washington rumors and misinformation is rife. Many of us are besieged over the airways and in electronic media with messages of imminent threats ranging from the plausible to the absurd. National MOAA's competent and well placed and recognized staff is the voice of reasoned analysis of the impact and probability of the potential impact of proposed legislation. **JOIN OR RENEW MEMBERSHIP IN MOAA.** Get your eligible friends and family to join. If you have access to E-mail and haven't yet signed up to receive weekly MOAA legislative updates we'd like to strongly encourage you to go to <http://moaa.org> and enroll .

THE MILITARY COALITION

MOAA's slogan is "One Powerful Voice." Many patriotic organizations have banded together at the National level to help make our voice heard over the din of the competition. Why not cooperate and work together at the state and local levels, especially when many of us belong to multiple organizations.

A recent list of Military coalition members follows:

- Air Force Association
- Air Force Sergeants Association
- Air Force Women Officers Association
- American Logistics Association
- AMVETS
- Army Aviation Association of America
- Association of Military Surgeons of the United States
- Association of the United States Army
- Association of the United States Navy
- Chief Warrant Officer and Warrant Officer Association
- CWO & WOA of the US Coast Guard
- Commissioned Officer Association of the US Public Health Service
- Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the US
- Fleet Reserve Organization
- Gold Star Wives of America
- Jewish War Veterans
- Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America
- Marine Corps League
- Marine Corps Reserve Association
- Military Chaplains Association of America
- Military Order of the Purple Heart
- National Association for Uniformed Services
- National Guard Association of the US
- National Military Family Association
- National Order of Battlefield Commissions
- Naval Enlisted Reserve Association
- Non Commissioned Officers Association
- Reserve Enlisted Association
- The Retired Enlisted Association
- Society of Medical Consultants to the Armed Forces
- US Army Warrant Officers Association
- USCG Chief Petty Officers Association
- Veterans of Foreign Wars

2009 DUES ARE DUE! Please pay now- IF you haven't done so.

To determine whether your dues are paid, please check your address sticker on the other side of this form. **The year is shown for the latest year for which your dues are paid.** (Life members show LIFE). If your number is (2005) or lower, please return this form (with your name sticker on reverse) along with a check for your dues to bring you up to current year. Please mark your selection of dues (one year, multi-year or life). For those of you who receive your newsletter by email, your dues date is located in the TO line of your email after your name. If you are moving out of state and don't want to continue your chapter membership or have any other status change, please let us know. Also please indicate on your check the year(s) your dues are for.

Membership Renewal. Your email address please: _____

Regular Member ___\$28 for three years ___\$19 for two years ___\$10.00 for one year

Auxiliary Member (as the surviving spouse of a deceased officer)
___\$14 for three years ___\$9.50 for two years ___\$5.00 for one year

Please renew as a LIFE member. ____ (Please circle amount in fee schedule.)

Make check payable to: Greater Cincinnati Chapter / MOAA

Mail Renewal form and check to:

LTC Paul Fellingner, 5493 Delhi Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45238-5139

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEES		
(Fee is based on your age, nearest birthday)		
	Regular	Auxiliary
Age up to 55	\$161.25	\$80.00
Age 56 to 70	\$127.50	\$63.75
Age 71 to 89	\$ 93.75	\$46.90
Age 90 and over	\$ 10.00	\$ 5.00

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OUTSTANDING PRESENTATION BY MAJOR BRAD R. WENSTRUP, DPM

Major Brad D Wenstrup received the acclaim of the attendees at the August 7th dinner meeting of the membership of the Greater Cincinnati Chapter held at Maple Knoll. His outstanding talk centered on his experiences in Iraq. Major Wenstrup, a Doctor of Podiatric Medicine, was called to active duty to serve with the 344th Combat Support Hospital, with duty as Chief of Surgery at the well known Abu Ghraib prison medical facility. His patriotic and inspiring speech identified the difficulties and successes of the U.S. effort, and highlighted the personal challenges, including the loss of a friend, faced by our military. He warned us about accepting reports from the press at face value, citing the fact that virtually every article on his service in Iraq focused on the atrocities at Abu Ghraib even though the incidents occurred more than two years prior to his arrival in country.

Doctor Wenstrup continues to serve in the Army Reserve and he is a candidate for Mayor of the City of Cincinnati in the next election. He has accepted membership in our Chapter.

A FULL COMPLEMENT

Signing up new members has never been easier and less expensive. For currently serving officers both our chapter and national MOAA are offering free one year memberships. For retired, auxiliary and former members national will charge only \$28 for a 2-year membership. A free 1-year chapter membership will be added.

Many of our members have already been doing a great job of signing up fellow officers with MOAA. They realize that continuing to expand our numbers is the way to an active and worthwhile chapter and national organizations; however; when a person joins the national organization we don't always know about the new member until many months later. This leads to some obvious problems such as not receiving the chapter newsletter. With no newsletter the new member has no real contact with our chapter and feels left out.

The chapter board has made the following recommendation. Please send all applications, both chapter and national membership, to our chapter secretary, who will ensure that the application is complete, inform the newsletter editor thereby updating the roster, and forward the application to national. Any accompanying check will be sent to the chapter treasurer. One stop shopping!

Major Ed Knox, USAF (Retired)
881 Yorkhaven Road
Springdale, Ohio 45240

Applications are available from the above address, calling 513-674-7755 or going to our website www.cincymoa.org and clicking on the tab for Forms/Publications.



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- TO inculcate and stimulate love of country and flag;
- TO defend the honor, integrity, and supremacy of our National Government and the Constitution of the United States;
- TO advocate military forces adequate to the defense of our country;
- TO foster fraternal relations between all branches of the various services from which our members are drawn;
- TO further the education of children of service personnel;
- TO aid active and retired personnel of the various services from which our members are drawn and their dependents and survivors, in every proper and legitimate manner;
- TO present their rights and interests when service matters are under consideration; and
- TO foster the integrity and prestige of uniformed service.

—from the Preamble to the Association's Bylaws