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## A NEWSLETTER FOR MILITARY OFFICERS CLUB OF CENTRAL OHIO

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**Next Meeting –Friday, November 14 , 2008**  
**Reservations NLT MONDAY, November 10.**



### **Shari Gallup - Ohio Nutrition Council**

Shari Gallup is a certified family life educator and holds a Master Degree in Education from OSU. Shari is an Extension Educator with The Ohio State University Extension in Newark and is President of the Ohio Nutrition Council. Shari will inform us of the dangers of eating the wrong foods and will provide strategies for healthy living. Shari has a weekly radio program. Also, her articles appear weekly in newspapers throughout the country.

### **October Meeting**

State Senator Steve Stivers “wore his LTC hat” as he shared his pride in implementing efficiency processes for handing GI mail during his recent tour with the National Guard in Iraq. His remarks were well received.

### **Attendance:**

**Army:** MGs Hartley and Williams (Sally AUX), BG Gutzwiller, Forestiere, Forrest, Kershner (Dorothy AUX), Leonard, Meadows, Oswald (Hettie AUX), Rhoads.(Wilma AUX), Sedlacko, Smith, Slabodnick, Stevenson.

**Navy:** Barclay, Eckfeld, Guendert, Heistand, Rey (N & W), Southworth, Williams (Dorothy AUX, Conley-guest). **Marine:** Rentz.

**Air Force:** MG Meyer, Albright (Helen AUX), Farrell (Shirley AUX), Kruse, McCoy, Norris (Betty AUX), Priday, Rogers (Mary AUX), Van Kirk.

**Auxiliary:** Heffner, Stebens, Taylor, Weber.

### **NEW MEMBERS:**

Calhoun, Tom LTC, USAF

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Pace, Carla Brown CPT, USAR

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Pfaff, James M, Col, USAF

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### **DEATH**

LTC Elmer Edwards AUS

died 10 September 2008

### **MEMBERS INDUCTED INTO THE OHIO MILITARY HALL OF FAME**

Congrats to Paul Baldrige and Jack Kennedy

## **SALUTE TO THE MOCCO AUXILIARY**

We wish to salute the 86 Spouses and 40 Widows who make up the MOCCO Auxiliary. If you feel your spouse should be included on the enclosed list of those 126 women, please call either:

Linda Meadows 740-927-6123 or  
Gloria Taylor 614-487-0898.

## **LOOKING FOR CLUB LEADERS**

Will you step up to help our club?

Anyone interested in serving as a club officer is welcome to attend the board meeting on Wednesday, November 5 at Bldg 11 – DSCC. The board gathers for lunch in section 8 of bldg 11 at 11:30. Meeting is at Noon in section 9.

## **NEW VA CENTER TO OPEN NOV 12**

The VA Chalmers P. Wylie Ambulatory Care Center, located at 420 North James Road (Adjacent to DSCC) will open November 12. The former VA center at 543 Taylor Avenue will close on November 3. For other concerns call (614) 257-5200.

## **MOCCO HOLIDAY LUNCHEON**

The MOCCO Holiday Luncheon again will be at the 94<sup>th</sup> AERO SQUADRON, 5030 Sawyer Road, Columbus – across from the Columbus Airport Golf Course. The date is Friday, December 12, 2008.

**Time:** 1130-1200 Gathering and Social (Cash bar).  
**Cost:** \$20 for each.

**Menu:** coffee, tea, rolls & butter, salad, two (2) entrees, two (2) side dishes and dessert.

**Dress:** Cost & tie for the men and dress or pants suit for the ladies.

**Music** to be provided by the 94<sup>th</sup> Aero Squadron. For more information, call LTC Paul Meadows at 740-927-6123.

**Reservations:** RSVP by Noon on December 9.

## **2009 MOAA OHIO STATE CONVENTION**

The Military Officers Club of Central Ohio will host the 2009 Ohio Council of Chapters Convention in Columbus September 18<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup>. Ohio State is playing Toledo in Cleveland that weekend. The Ohio State Alumni Pep Band will kick off the convention which will be held at the Crowne Plaza, 6500 Doubletree Ave., Columbus Ohio – North of Rte 161 and just off Bush Blvd. Speaker information to follow.

## **MILITARY RECRUITING QUOTAS REACHED FOR ALL SERVICES**

The Pentagon reported this month that all military services met or exceeded their overall recruiting goals for FY2008 for both active and reserve components - gratifying news in a particularly challenging market.

Pentagon leaders said the year's recruiting effort was "...probably the strongest recruiting year we've had overall, taking all elements into account, since fiscal year 2004."

The main recruiting concern is that the active Army missed its goal for high school diploma graduates for the third year in a row, and was forced to accept more non-graduates to meet its accession goal.

-3% of the Army's enlistees for 2008 held a high school diploma -- an improvement over last year's 79%, but still short of the 90% standard. The other three active branches exceeded the goal, with the Air Force achieving 99% high school grads.

Reserve components generally met the high school diploma target, with the Army Reserve barely missing at 89%.

Major General Thomas Bostick, who leads Army Recruiting Command, said the Army's high-school grad goal is "a challenge for the nation", noting that the U.S.-wide graduation rate is less than 80%.

Almost all components also met another Pentagon goal of having 60% of entrants score in the top half of national aptitude scores, except for the Army Guard and Army Reserve, which narrowly missed at 59% and 58%, respectively.

On the retention front, the main concern was a significant drop in USAF enlisted retention, which dropped from 99% of the first-term goal last year to 64% for FY08, to 84% for second-termers (vs. 94% last year), and 79% for career airmen (vs. 99% last year).

However, part of the problem was that the Air Force was drawing down its force at the start of the fiscal year and therefore did not have strong retention incentives in place throughout the year.

All other services exceeded enlisted retention goals except for Marine Corps first-termers (87%) and Navy second-termers (98%). Officer figures were not available.

**REMEMBER TO VOTE ON NOVEMBER 4**