

# The Scuttlebutt

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The American Legion  
Navy – Marine Post 276  
Columbus, Ohio



Since 1919

## Navy-Marine Post 276 Meets Soon

The American Legion Navy Marine Post 276 will be meeting on Saturday, August 20 at 9:30 AM. If you want a say in the future direction of our post, you need to attend this meeting. We can cover such topics as:

- Our post budget and other financial issues
- How we intend to distribute our Newsletter.
- Our involvement in District and Department activities.
- How to grow our membership and their involvement
- Post social activities.
- Buckeye Boys and Girls State and other youth activities.
- NROTC
- Memorial Day Remembrance.

We meet at Amvets Post 89, at 3535 Westerville Rd, Columbus Ohio at 9:30 AM on the third Saturday of the month. This is right after breakfast which starts at 8:00 AM, and is provided by the Amvets Post for a cost of \$4.00 or \$5.00, depending on your order.

## Sword Passes to New Command

The Colors were cased. The Sword of Major Walter Reed was passed from Army Maj. Gen. Carla Hawley-Bowland to Navy Rear Adm. Matthew Nathan. With this ceremony ends the 102 years of service provided at the Walter Reed Medical Center in Washington D.C. Now it's just the mechanics getting all of the patients transferred to the newly named, Walter Reed National Military Medical Center in Bethesda MD. Starting with just 10 patients in 1909, Walter Reed grew to include 72 buildings covering 113 acres of land. Walter Reed Hospital, having treated many heads of state, presidents as well as soldiers and veterans, is due to finally close it's doors in September of this year. The patient load will now be handled by the newly renamed National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md., and the hospital at Fort Belvoir, Va



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Check out the Website.

This newsletter is printed every 3 months. This is your newsletter so send your articles to [newsletter@alohio276.org](mailto:newsletter@alohio276.org) or get them to Steve Ebersole. Deadline for articles for the next newsletter will be April, 24<sup>th</sup>.

[MyLegion.org](http://MyLegion.org)

Sign up for the Website – It's Free

For National, Department of Ohio and Post news and calendar. Talk to members using the Members forum, get information for filing VA claims, learn how to write a resolution.



## Commodore's Notes

I hope everyone is enjoying a wonderful summer.

As many of you know the American Legion Department of Ohio Convention was held in Columbus this year. As part of the festivities the department massed colors for the Red, White and Boom parade. While I was waiting for the parade to start, I was approached by another Legionnaire who asked if I served with him on the USS Coral Sea 40 years ago. This is an illustration of the connections which can be made through the Legion.

I bring this up because we are still getting very few members at our monthly meetings. These gatherings are held the third Saturday of every month at AmVets Post 89 on Westerville Road in Columbus. Our Post is no longer threatened by a lack of members but we really do need to make connections. Coincidentally, the AmVets put on a very good breakfast every Saturday so if you arrive after 0800 a fine feed can be had for \$4. Please come join us. Your contributions are needed and you might meet someone you served with in the past.

Post 276 members turned out for the Broad Street Bridge Ceremony on Memorial Day and I appreciate that effort. Let us know if you have anyone who should be honored at next year's.

I hope to see you at a future meeting soon.

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## Chief Yeoman's Desk

American Legion Baseball has been a major institution in this country for over 85 years providing over half of the players for professional baseball. Over the years American Legion Baseball has had a lot of firsts. Last year we named a home field for our World Series, Keeler Stadium in Shelby, NC and this year we signed a contract with ESPN 3 to broadcast the games. And now, the World Series single game paid attendance record set in 1938 was crushed in the 9<sup>th</sup> game played on Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> with over 60,000 fans with Las Vegas defeating Brooklawn N.J. Congratulations to the 2011 Champions from Eden Prairie, Minnesota who defeated Tupelo, Mississippi after 13 innings.

Steve Ebersole - Chief Yeoman / Paymaster

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Join the American Legion Navy-Marine Post 276 and the Marine Corp. League, Belleau Wood Detachment on the third Saturday of the month for breakfast before the General Meeting. Amvets Post 89 starts serving at 8:00 AM and the cost is between \$4 and \$5. Cooked to order. The meeting starts at 9:30 AM

## Membership

We have had a record renewal month, with 39 renewals or new members. Interestingly, 4 of these have been through the new online renewal process at [www.legion.org](http://www.legion.org). We are only 18 away from our membership quota of 57. Reaching quota will add dollars to our bank account. If we reach quota by Veteran's Day we will earn \$150.00 from Department and the 12<sup>th</sup> District. That is half a boy for Boys State.

Remember, if you renew before Veteran's Day, it also can save you money. If you send your renewal directly to the post, before Veteran's Day, the dues are \$30.00. The post address is:

American Legion Navy Marine Post 276  
3934 Maidstone Dr.  
Columbus, OH 43230

If you renew online or after Veteran's Day, the dues are \$35.00. Let's keep up the good work and get your renewal in now.

## Calendar

**Saturday, August 20, 8:00 AM** – Breakfast at Amvets 89

**Saturday, August 20, 9:30 AM** – Post General Meeting

**August 26 thru September 1** – National Convention, Minneapolis, MN

**Sunday, September 11, 1:00 PM** – 12<sup>th</sup> District Fall Conference, Bexley Post 430 (noon sign in)

**Saturday, September 17, 8:00 AM** – Breakfast at Amvets 89

**Saturday, September 17, 9:30 AM** – Post General Meeting

**Saturday, October 8** – Oratorical Committee, Department HQ

**Friday, Saturday, October 14 – 15** – BBS Fall Meeting

**Saturday, October 15, 8:00 AM** – Breakfast at Amvets 89

**Saturday, October 15, 9:30 AM** – Post General Meeting

**Tuesday, October 25, 7:30 PM** – 12<sup>th</sup> District Meeting, Camp Chase Post 98