



2d Battalion – School of the Soldier and Company April 29, 2006

The 2d Battalion of Birney's Division will be holding a spring drill camp hosted by the 5th OVI. All members are invited to participate even if their company will not be attending as a whole. If this is the case for your unit, we will give all company commanders and NCOs a chance to work within the companies that are formed at the camp.

Date and Location

The school will be one day, Saturday April 29th, but the camp will be established Friday afternoon and run until Sunday morning. For those who wish to only attend Saturday, you are MORE than welcome!

The location is a place we affectionately call Camp Workman, located in Ravenna, Ohio. This is a large private farm owned by Jim Workman of The Flying Turtle Tavern fame. The property has open ground and woods, plus an excellent field for the companies to set up camp. The centerpiece of Camp Workman is a reproduction 1800s period tavern that you should come to see if for no other reason.

Directions

- Take I-76 E out of the Akron Interchange, I-76 W from PA
- Take Exit 38B, Rt 44 N
- Curve to the right taking the Rt 5 Bypass
- Turn Right on Hayes Rd.
- Just past Hatrick Rd., look for the CW sign on the right (5200 Hayes Rd., Ravenna, OH 44266)

Registration

The drill camp event is FREE. Firewood and water will be provided. A bail of straw will cost you \$3.00 each. The registration form is attached and should be completed in order for us to know how many units/soldiers to expect. Please make sure that each of you fill out the form and email it or mail to the indicated address.

Other Units and Members

The drill camp is also open to non-Birney's units and members. The only condition is that said guest unit/member must be "sponsored" by an existing Birney's unit/member. Guests will also need to complete the attached registration form. We want to show what the 2d Bn and Birney's is all about. If you have a unit that is looking for a home, bring them out!

The attached schedule will offer something for everyone. Veteran and fresh fish alike. The drill is focused on the company, but we will end with battalion formation and maneuvers. I hope that you and your unit will come in numbers to get ready for a great reenacting season.

Sincerely,

Lt Col Christopher L. Smith, Commanding
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5th OVI, Company H
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Birney's Division

2d Battalion

School of the Soldier and Company

Camp Workman, Ravenna, O.

Friday, April 28th

4:00 pm - ? Camp established. Personnel report to 1st Sergeants/NCOs.

Saturday, April 29th

8:00 am Roll call and instructions for the day (1st Sergeants).
8:15 – 9:00 Company drill
 - Forming the Company
 - Manual of Arms
 - Movements

9:15 – 10:00 Firing, weapons maintenance, and safety
10:15 – 11:00 Movements in battle (company)
11:15 – 12:00 Skirmish drill (company)
12:00 – 12:45 Afternoon mess
12:45 – 1:30 Tactics discussion (Tavern)
1:45 – 2:15 Bayonet Drill (company)
2:30 – 3:15 Field exercise (combination company movements, firing, and skirmish)
3:30 – 4:30 Movements of the Battalion
4:30 – 5:00 Individual instruction and 1st Sergeant's time
5:00 Battalion dismissed
5:30 - ? Soirée at the Tavern

The camp will be in operation till Sunday morning. Members of the Battalion are welcome to stay till Sunday morning.



REGISTRATION
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NAME: _____ UNIT: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ CELL: _____

EMAIL: _____

GUEST – SPONSORING UNIT/MEMBER: _____

I will be purchasing a bail of straw

Email this form to khillegass@5thohio.com, or cut off the registration page above and mail to:

Ken Hillegass
680 Woodland Ave.
Wadsworth, OH 44281

Registrations must be received no later than April 1st, 2006.

KEEP THIS INFORMATION:

Weather call-off information will be posted no later than Friday morning, April 27th, at 330-762-8055. The emergency cell number at Camp Workman is 330-620-2311.