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## THE ONLY FLAG THAT DOESN'T FLY



*Between the fields where the flag is planted, there are 9+ miles of flower fields that go all the way to the ocean. The flowers are grown by seed companies. It's a beautiful place, close to Vandenberg AFB. Check out the dimensions of the flag. The Floral Flag is 740 feet long and 390 feet wide and maintains the proper Flag dimensions, as described in Executive Order #10834. This Flag is 6.65 acres and is the first Floral Flag to be planted with 5 pointed Stars, comprised of White Larkspur. Each Star is 24 feet in diameter; each Stripe is 30 feet wide. This Flag is estimated to contain more than 400,000 Larkspur plants, with 4-5 flower stems each, for a total of more than 2 million flowers.*

*Ocean Ave. in Lompoc , CA ! ..*

Aerial photo courtesy of Bill Morson Soldiers' Prayer

Please note the size of the autos pointed out by the orange arrows.

**Our next Meeting is 0900 hrs Saturday April 21st, 2007 at the Trenton Town Hall.**

**Located at 1071 State Hwy 33 East, West Bend Wi 53095.**

**Kettle Moraine Detachment 1203, Marine Corps League**  
**Minutes of Meeting Held on March 17th , 2007**  
**26 Members and 2 guests present**

The Meeting was held at the Trenton Town Hall in West Bend, WI.

The Commandant called the meeting to order at 0906. The Sgt at Arms presented Colors and the Chaplain said the opening prayer.

**Roll Call of Officers**

Commandant: Tim Bertram present  
Sr. Vice Commandant: John Stern present  
Jr. Vice Commandant: Roger Cross present  
Adjutant: Jason Waier present  
Judge Advocate: Charlie Keller excused

Paymaster: Jim Krudwig present  
Chaplain: George Wujcik present  
Sgt at Arms: Barry Oelerich present  
Historians: Jason Waier present  
" : Jim Krudwig present

**Other Members in Attendance**

Bertling, David	Bertling , Greg	Bollmann, Paul	Brewer, Glen	Conde, Ted(excused)
Duffin, Doug	Erdman, Don	Fleischman, John	Heiman, Carl	Koski, Kevin
Huf, Wally	Krause, John	Lorenz, Jerry	Lucka, Gil	Montag, Fred
O'Toole, Danny	Racine, Cal	Schleif, Paul	Straub, Hugo	Unertl, Ken

**New Members**

No new Members were presented this month.

**Guests**

Dept of WI MCL Commandant Tim Baranzky was on hand to install the officers. George Kasmayk attended as a potential transfer from Badger Det.

**Reading of the Minutes**

With no corrections to the February Meeting Minutes as posted in the March Newsletter, John Krause made a motion to accept them as written, seconded by Paul Bollmann. Motion passed.

**Paymaster's Report**

Jim Krudwig, outgoing Paymaster, passed out his last Financial Report. An audit of Det finances was conducted on March 16th by Members Dan O'Toole and Doug Duffin who found no errors. There were no corrections or questions to the Financial Report submitted. Paul Bollmann made a motion to accept it as written, seconded by Paul Schleif. Motion carried.

**Chaplain's Report**

The Chaplain said that he had recorded a show on PBS about the Marine Corps and if anyone wanted to borrow it to contact him. He also stated he had sent out one card to a Member's family.

**Correspondence Received/Delivered**

During the past month the Detachment has been highlighted in various newspaper articles which have been turned over to the Historians.

Members were advised to be wary of a telemarketing group working on behalf of Wisconsin Paralyzed Veterans of America. The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel's March 16th issue carried an article stating how a professional fundraising organization was pocketing 86 cents of every \$1 raised for the Paralyzed Vets who are only getting fourteen cents for every donated dollar. Beware of where you donate money as there are many such scams going on. You can obtain copies of any of the above articles from Jason Waier.

**Report of Standing Committees**

**Honor Guard Team:** Marine Bruce Chartrand of Jackson will be buried March 23rd with KetMorDet providing the Honor Guard.

**Flag History Presentation Team:** Several potential dates are being set up and will be reported in future Newsletters. Team members will be notified as info becomes available. The Team has a presentation scheduled for the Boy Scouts in Cedarburg on April 2nd.

**Scholarship:** Nothing new to report. Scholarship applications are available online at [www.ketmordet.com](http://www.ketmordet.com), from George Wujcik, or see the January Newsletter for a copy.

**PAO:** The Detachment is looking for a hardcharger to fill this needed position which entails getting the word out about KetMorDet activities. Any volunteers? Contact John Stern if interested.

**Quartermaster:** Paul Schleif stepped forward and volunteered for this position following the Meeting. Thanks Paul.

**VAVS:** Nothing new to report. Tim Bertram has volunteered to fill part of this position as the KetMorDet VAVS rep at Wood Veterans Hospital. A need still exists for a Detachment rep at both the Wisconsin Veterans Homes in Union Grove and King. Two Members could each take one location or one Member could serve them both. This would be a good job for a retired Member(s). Any volunteers? Contact Commandant John Stern if interested.

**Uniforms:** The first batch of the outstanding new, red waist length, light winter jackets with the Det's embroidered logo front and back have been made. Twelve Members picked theirs up at the meeting. The cost is \$60 per jacket. Any Member interested in purchasing one of these great looking jackets should contact Paymaster Roger Cross. Be the first in your squad to have one!

**Newsletter:** Members should contact Jim Krudwig to get their bio completed. There have been none turned in the last couple of months. The Detachment is interested in your story and needs your bio for historical purposes.

**Care Packages:** Several packages are being prepared to be shipped out.

**Fundraising:** The Commandant is looking for a Member to take charge and chair the committee for this important KetMorDet function. Fundraising is the backbone for many aspects of this Detachment. Everything we do costs money. Donations to charitable organizations are a prime example of the need for fundraising. Equipment is expensive. A few fundraisers for this year are already scheduled and several more should be planned. The first scheduled fundraiser for 2007 will be at Walmart in Saukville on Memorial Day weekend. Other scheduled dates are: Walmart in Germantown on July 6, 7, 8 and again on Aug 31, Sept 1 and 2. A brat fry at Piggly Wiggly in Kewaskum is scheduled for Aug 11. Jim Krudwig is looking into scheduling a couple fundraisers at Miller Park prior to Brewer games.

### **Old Business**

Marine Gil Lucka brought in the "Fallen Warrior" statue which he purchased last year. One of these statues will be given to the family of any member of the armed services from our area that is killed in Iraq or Afghanistan. Dan O'Toole made a motion to purchase the statue from Gil now instead of waiting until it is needed as had been discussed at the February Meeting. John Fleischman seconded. Motion carried.

The Adjutant stated that the KetMorDet pens that he was authorized to purchase during the February meeting have been ordered and should be available by the April Meeting.

### **New Business**

Dept of WI MCL Commandant Tim Baranzky installed the KetMorDet Officers for 2007. He spoke for a couple of minutes thanking the Members for participating in fundraisers, Toys for Tots, funerals, parades, working within our communities, and the other projects that are done by the Detachment on behalf of the MCL. He also reminded everyone to set petty jealousy aside and work together as a team to establish solidarity.

He then distributed Life Member Certificates to all of the Det. Life Members and the Life pin and metal membership card to those who had not already received theirs. It should be noted that more than half the Members of KetMorDet now have obtained Life Membership in the MCL.

John Stern reminded all that the KetMorDet Sr Vice position was open. He said that he had earlier contacted Bill Wallace who agreed to take on that responsibility. John asked how the Members felt about it. An immediate motion was made by Jim Krudwig for the Commandant to appoint Bill Wallace as Senior Vice Commandant. Seconded by Tim Bertram. Motion passed.

Dan O'Toole asked Members to save old magazines so that they may be collected and sent to the troops overseas.

The Commandant asked Members for their ideas on how to improve the KetMorDet and he will be discussing his goals for the Detachment during future Meetings.

### **Meeting Closed**

With no further business to be conducted, the Commandant thanked State Commandant Baranzky and potential transfer member George Kasmayk for coming to the Meeting. He then gave the order to close the Meeting. The Sgt at Arms retired the Colors, the Chaplain gave the closing prayer, and the Sr. Vice Commandant thanked all for attending and asked that they secure new members. The Meeting closed at 0958 hrs. The next meeting will be held at 0900 hrs on April 21st, 2007 at the Trenton Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jason Waier, Adjutant



## MARINE OF THE MONTH - PAUL DAVID SCHLEIF

Paul Schleif was born on August 18, 1955 (51) in Fairfax, Missouri. He attended school in West Bend graduating from East High School in 1973. While making a Doctor's appointment in Menomonee Falls, he stepped into the Marine Corps recruiting office next door. He signed up in the delayed entry program for aviation. On October 6, 1974, he headed to boot camp in San Diego.

Upon completion of recruit training, he was assigned to Marine Observation Squadron 2 (VMO-1, MAG-16) at Camp Pendleton. He received training on the OV-10A aircraft and Aircraft Armament. He was assigned the 6531 MOS and worked as an aviation ordnance technician on the OV-10 Broncos.



An overseas tour found him being assigned to VMO-6, MAG-39 on Okinawa. He enjoyed working in ordnance on the OV-10 Bronco as it was a good aircraft. It could carry four M60 machine guns in the sponsons of the aircraft. With five bomb racks, they could carry 20 mm gun pods, flares, 2.75 inch rockets, five inch zuni rockets and bombs. They could also do sensor drops to measure troop's movement and Recon Marines could be dropped out of the small cargo bay by parachute. Paul also spent time in the Philippines. He had a year and a half overseas duty.

Paul returned to the states and was discharged as a Corporal at Camp Pendleton in October 1978.

Paul is a Registered Nurse working in Special Procedures at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin where surgical services are conducted. He enjoys playing trumpet riding motorcycles and fishing.

He joined Kettle Moraine Detachment in 2006 when he learned of it. He is an Honor Guard Member and the official Detachment Bugler. When Paul is around we do not need to use the automatic ceremonial bugle. Paul also volunteered to be the Detachment Quartermaster after the March Meeting, and feels privileged to be part of the KetMorDet team.





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*Below: Dept of Wisconsin MCL Commandant Tim Baranczyk poses for a picture with several "Life Members" after swearing in the newly elected Officers.*



*Photo by Jason Waier*

*Below: KetMorDet Member Jim Krudwig was the guest speaker at the Family Day event at the Camelot Golf Club on April 4th. This event brought the families of future Marines together with several active duty Drill Instructors, Recruiters and I&I Staff Members for dinner, a short "period of instruction" (from the Drill Instructors) and a Q&A period for the parents afterward.*



*Photo courtesy of Justin Connaher with "The Reporter".*



*Above: This is the "Fallen Warrior" statue to be presented to the families of those service men and women that have given their lives to the defense of our nation while serving in Iraq or Afghanistan.*

*Photo by Jason Waier*



*Above: The Flag History Presentation Team in action at the Boyscout House in Cedarburg on April 2nd. Also in attendance but not pictured was Sgt Alan Miracle from the USMC Recruiting office in West Bend.*

*Photo by Jason Waier*

## NOTES FROM THE TROOPS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Yes Sir, the address below is correct and we appreciate the support of the Kettle Moraine Detachment. The items below are fine. If I cannot use them, I share them with the other men in my unit. Once again, I want to say Thank You to you and your entire organization. It means a lot more to me being a cheese head myself. Take care and pass along our thanks to the rest of your members. Semper Fi. GySgt Scott Kieweg (note dated Mar 19th).

Sir, I just would like to say that we received two packages from you and wanted to thank you. Everything (sent) was put to good use. We are all doing fine and the weather is starting to get warm. Just wanted to drop you a line to say thanks. GySgt Scott Kieweg (in Iraq - The package was mailed on Mar 21st and his note was dated Apr 9th)

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Thank you for all of your efforts and the great support you show to our troops. We thank you also for your service to our Country. I know that my nephew Cole (Ladwig - Cpl in 1st LAR Delta Co, 1st Platoon in Iraq) is always appreciative of our efforts back home in supporting the troops. God Bless you and have a Blessed Easter!  
Pamela Burns (and family members dated Apr 6th)

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## MARINE TO BE AWARDED NAVY CROSS POSTHUMOUSLY

From: LA Times March 20, 2007 by Tony Perry, Times Staff Writer

CAMP PENDLETON - Marine Lance Cpl Christopher Adlesperger, who was killed during the battle in Fallujah in 2004, has been selected for the Navy Cross, the Marine Corps' second highest medal for combat bravery, the Corps announced Monday. The medal recognizes Adlesperger's actions on Nov 10, 2004 when he saved the lives of innumerable Marines by showing leadership and courage during an assault on a heavily armed insurgent stronghold.

In 30 minutes of close combat, Adlesperger killed at least 11 insurgents and protected two squad members who had been wounded, allowing Marines to destroy the site. His squad had been assigned the dangerous duty of searching dozens of houses in the opening phase of Operation Phantom Fury. Adlesperger received a meritorious promotion but was killed a month later during another mission to clear a structure of insurgents.

He was 20 and a member of Kilo Company, 3rdBn, 5th Marines. The Navy Cross that is to be given to members of Adlesperger's family in a ceremony next month at Camp Pendleton is the 15th bestowed on a Marine for combat in Iraq and Afghanistan, officials said. Adlesperger, a native of New Mexico, left college to enlist and was on his first tour of duty in Iraq. Marines who fought beside Adlesperger remembered him as soft-spoken, religious and fiercely loyal to his fellow Marines.

After the Nov 20th fight, he explained that his goal had been to rescue a wounded Marine. Even for Marines accustomed to battlefield deaths, Adlesperger's death on Dec 9, 2004 was emotionally wrenching. He was loved by everybody" said GySgt Paul Starnier, his platoon leader. Adlesperger's courage was the subject of a front-page story in The Times on Oct 3, 2006.

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## UPDATED VERSION OF AN OLD CORPS STORY

The story below was sent by an old Marine buddy. It was a different enemy when I first heard the story during the Viet Nam War and was probably still a different enemy for the Marines in WW II and Korea.

A Taliban leader was sitting in a cave when he hears over a dune, the voice of an American soldier: "One American Marine is better than 10 Taliban fighters". So the angry Taliban leader sent over 10 of his best soldiers. After a lot of gun fire and yelling and screams of agony, the Taliban heard the voice again. "One American Marine is better than 100 Taliban fighters".

So the Taliban leader sends over 100 of his highest ranked soldiers, being sure of a victory. After a lot of gun fire and yelling and screams of agony, the Taliban leader heard the voice again "One American Marine is better than 1000 Taliban fighters".

So the Taliban leaders sent his toughest, meanest, personal guards over the dune. After hundreds of bullets were fired, and explosions and the screaming and crying, it was over. The Taliban leader, now wondering what happened goes over the dune where he finds a wounded Taliban soldier who says "Don't send any more men. It's a trap. There are really TWO of 'em!"

## KETMORDET OFFICER REPORTS FOR APRIL 21ST, 2007 MEETING

### INCOMING COMMANDANT JOHN STERN REPORTS:

**Honor Guard:** KetMorDet members provided an Honor Guard for USMC Korean era veteran 71 year old David B. Chartrand at Jackson's St. John's Lutheran Church on 23 March. Rifle detail consisted of Marines: Roger Cross, Carl Heiman, John Stern, Donald Erdman, Hugo Straub, Frederick Montag and Glen Brewer. Sgt. Esterhauf, LCpl's Zaurba and Bolten from I&I Fox Co 2nd Bn, 24th Marines, provided flag folding and bugle honors. The family was presented 8 polished M-1 casings and a "Challenge" Coin and expressed their gratitude to the detachment for providing services for their loved one. The detail was also invited and attended a luncheon at the request of the family upon the conclusion of the service.

**Care Packages:** One package was shipped in March to L/Cpl Cullen Chakeen. One package to PFC Michael Harshbarger. One package to Sgt Brian Hendricks and 2 packages sent to GySgt Scott Kieweg. All recipients are currently serving in Iraq with the exception of Sgt Hendricks who is in Afghanistan. The Commandant is still in need of names, addresses, and e-mail addresses of servicemen and women currently serving in a combat environment. Thanks to the great response from the membership I currently have enough magazines to last for a while.

**Monthly Membership Meetings:** I have read through the National Bylaws, National Administrative Procedures, and Guidebook for Detachment Officers and failed to find mention that a member requesting to address the membership be required and salute the Commandant before addressing the membership. Unless it can be determined that failure to "Stand and Salute" is in violation of any National regulation, this practice will be discontinued effective the April meeting.

**Thanks:** Members Paul Schleif who has stepped up to the position of quartermaster and John Krause who has taken on the task of getting the Detachment incorporated. A reminder that your Detachment is still seeking Marines to fill the following positions: Public Relations/Information Officer. VAVS/Veterans Service Officer. American/Education Officer. If interested in filling any of these, see the Commandant for complete job descriptions.

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**INCOMING SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT BILL WALLACE:** Nothing to Report

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**INCOMING JUNIOR VICE COMMANDANT GLEN BREWER:** Nothing to Report

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**JUDGE ADVOCATE CHARLIE KELLER:** Nothing to Report

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### ADJUTANT JASON WAIER REPORTS:

Marines, the new KetMorDet ballpoint pens that you authorized are in and they look good.

The only correspondence is a "Thank You" note from Holy Trinity School for a Flag History Presentation.

I represented KetMorDet at the Dept of WI MCL Spring Conference in Reedsburg on March 31st. The Dept of WI Commandant, Tim Baranzyk, made several points but especially highlighted that as Veterans; we need to keep ever vigilant for any other Veterans, young or old, in need of assistance. If we do not help our own, how can we expect any support for the Veterans from others?

We should be looking at more ways to get involved in our communities. Members should make their ideas known at Detachment meetings or to the Commandant. It is your Detachment.

Recruitment/retention needs to improve. We should mentor new Members and help them stay involved so they do not lose interest and fall by the side. Comradship and esprit de corps are the basic tenets of the MCL.

Operation Freedom will take place at the Milwaukee County Zoo on July 1st. Info to follow. You'll recall that many of us watched the USMC's Silent Drill Team when it appeared at the same function last July.

The National Veterans Wheelchair Games will be held in Milwaukee June 19-23. Help is still needed even though the sign-up date has passed. If you can donate time or have questions, call 414-389-3999.

Mark Grams, the Dept of WI MCL Service Officer, introduced legislation to try to change the requirements for GI Bill benefits. Unfortunately, this bill was "tabled" or in other words "shot down". Mark hopes to rewrite the bill and present it again in the future. For more info on this, contact me.

Links to both Federal and State Veterans websites have been added to the KetMorDet website under the VAVS/Contact US tab. There are great sources of info on Vet Affairs. Go to: [www.ketmordet.com](http://www.ketmordet.com)



**INCOMING SERGEANT AT ARMS BARRY OLERICH:** Nothing to Report

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**INCOMING PAYMASTER ROGER CROSS REPORTS:**

I have computerized the balance sheet that you receive at each month's meeting. I hope that it will be easier for members to track the cash flow for the Detachment. I have also renewed two CD's that have reached maturity. The interest earned is reflected on the monthly balance sheet. I also computerized the membership list to make updates easier. Please check your information carefully at the next meeting to make sure I have not made any typing errors. I will be hunting the weekend of the April meeting so the Adjutant will hand out the balance sheet. If there is anything that appears to be incorrect, please contact me. I am open to any questions or suggestions you may have. Thank You.

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**CHAPLAIN GEORGE WUJCIK REPORTS:** Nothing new to report for the Chaplain

The Scholarship Committee is considering three applications at this time. We will report the findings at the next meeting.

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**INCOMING QUARTERMASTER PAUL SCHLEIF REPORTS:**

Allow me to introduce myself. I have volunteered to become the KetMorDet Quartermaster. I'll do my best to perform effectively in this position.

One of the first things that I want to do is formulate an inventory of what the Detachment has and where it is or who has it. I am not looking to accumulate the equipment myself to store as my space is very limited. However, we do need to know what we have and where it is being kept. Any Member who has Det. gear should give me a list at the next meeting or e-mail the list to me at paulfone@milwp.c.com

I am requesting that two Members also volunteer to be Quartermaster Assistants. These members would also have lists of the KetMorDet inventory and may be able to help me from time-to-time if needed. Thanks for your consideration.

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**FLAG HISTORY PRESENTATION TEAM CHAIRMAN JIM KRUDWIG REPORTS:**

A team consisting of Ken Unertl, Carl Heiman, Jim Krudwig, Gil Lucka, Doug Duffin, Hugo Straub, and George Wujcik conducted a Flag History Presentation for the Cedarburg Boy Scouts on April 2nd. Jason Waier, Historian, was present to take photos.

Several more flag presentations have been scheduled for scout units, schools and a nursing home. See the Detachment Schedule of Events on the last page of the Newsletter for dates.

At the request of the KetMorDet Color Guard Commander, Charlie Keller, who also is the Det. liaison with the West Bend Parade Committee and Ron Naab who represents the Allenton Parade Committee, I made inquiries to determine if a Marine Band Concert can be held in West Bend on Friday Aug 17th. Then the Band would march in the annual patriotic Allenton parade on Sunday Aug 19th. They may give a short concert there after the parade.

Tentatively, (as of April 12th) the Marine Forces Reserves Band Drum Major out of New Orleans said that they will arrive in Milwaukee on Thursday, Aug 16th. The Drum Major is from Cedarburg and is looking forward to coming to his home area. They asked if it was possible to play colors for the Brewer game that day and then attend the game. Coincidentally, KetMorDet has scheduled a fundraiser at Miller Park that day so we will be there also. I provided the Brewers contact info and the Drum Major will work on it.

The Band, consisting of no more than 52 members will provide a concert somewhere in West Bend, probably Regner Park if available, on Friday night Aug 17th. Then they will travel to Chicago to participate in a change of command ceremony there on Saturday, Aug 18th. They will return to Milwaukee that night to march in the Allenton Parade on Sunday, Aug 19th. They will be leaving the area on Aug 20th.

Our responsibility between the West Bend and Allenton Parade committees would be to pay for billeting on three of the nights that the Band would be in the area and provide rations for the 17th and 19th. They will come north in their own bus and use it to move around the area. I offered to have an SOS breakfast and C Rations for them but the Drum Major declined that invitation. He said that there no longer is SOS in Marine mess halls and C Rations are long gone. Again, this is all tentative. You know Brown side out - Green side out. KetMorDet could have a brat fry for them on Friday evening before or after the West Bend Concert.

## SERGEANT MAJOR GENERAL

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**Sergeant Major General** is a now extinct military rank that can trace its origins to the Middle Ages. Originally simply Sergeant Major, the title signified a general officer, commander of an army's infantry and typically third in command of the army as a whole (after the Lieutenant General and Captain General); he also acted as a sort of chief of staff.

Early in the 17th Century, individual regiments began appointing their own Sergeant Majors to perform a similar role on a smaller scale (these would evolve into modern-day Majors): the older, senior position became known as Sergeant Major General to distinguish it.

Over the course of the 17th Century, the increasing professionalisation of armies saw Sergeant Major General become the most junior of the general ranks. At the same time, the Sergeant portion of the title was more and more commonly dropped by the early 18th Century; the rank's name had been permanently shortened to Major General.

Since Sergeant Major General had previously ranked below Lieutenant General, the new rank of Major General appeared to create a precedence issue, in that a Major outranked a Lieutenant but a Lieutenant General now outranked a Major General. Within some militaries this oversight has not been modified and continues into the present day.

In the 21st Century, the rank of Sergeant Major General has ceased to exist but nearly every country in the world maintains the rank of Major General or a close equivalent. The rank is also referred to as a "2 Star General", most often in countries which maintain the lower rank of Brigadier General.

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The old Gunny was traveling across country when he saw a sign reading "Lobster Tail & Beer".  
"Good" he said, "My three favorite things".

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### KETMORDET'S SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr 16 Mon	1900	Det Officers Call - MPTC West Bend
Apr 19 Thu	1830	Flag History Presentation, Cub Scout Pack 3760, Horicon
Apr 21 Sat	0845	Det Monthly Meeting - Trenton Town Hall
Apr 26 Thu	1830	Flag History Presentation, Cub Scout Pack 3796, Cabrini Church, West Bend
Apr 30 Mon	1800	Flag History Presentation, Boy Scouts, Jackson
May 14 Mon	1900	Det Officers Call - MPTC West Bend
May 16 Wed	1830	Flag History Presentation, Cub Scout Pack 3782, Greentree
May 18 Fri	0930	Flag History Presentation, Hartford Health Care Center
May 24 Thu	0900	Flag History Presentation, Eden Elementary School
May 25 Fri	0900-1600	Fund Raiser at Saukville Walmart & PickNSave
May 26 Sat	" "	" " " " " " "
May 27 Sun	" "	" " " " " " "
May 28 Mon		Color Guard leads West Bend Parade
Jun 4 Mon	1500	Miller Park Fundraiser prior to Chicago Cubs Game
Jun 5 Tue	1500	" " " " " "
Jun 6 Wed	0900	" " " " " "

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