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First Sunset Parade of the 2007 season at the Marine Memorial adjacent to Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, D.C. June 5th, 2007.

# Kettle Moraine Detachment 1203, Marine Corps League Minutes of Meeting Held on May 19th , 2007 22 Members present

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

The Commandant called the meeting to order at 0902. The Sgt at Arms presented Colors and the Chaplain said the opening prayer.

#### **Roll Call of Officers**

Commandant: John Stern present Sr. Vice Commandant: Bill Wallace present Jr. Vice Commandant: Glen Brewer present

Adjutant: Jason Waier present

Judge Advocate: Charlie Keller excused

Paymaster: Roger Cross present Chaplain: George Wujcik present Sgt at Arms: Barry Oelerich present Historians: Jason Waier present

Jim Krudwig present

# Other Members in Attendance

Bertling, Dave Bertling, Greg Bertram, Tim Conde, Ted Coulter, Dan

Fleischman, John Heiman, Carl Krause, John Lucka, Gil Mathews, Glen(excused)

Montag, Fred Ramage, Jim Schleif, Paul Straub, Hugo Unertl, Ken

#### **New Members**

No new Members were sworn in this month.

#### Guests

The WI Marine Corps Recruiting Sergeant Major, Wayne Hertz, attended the meeting and filled out an application to join KetMorDet. SgtMaj Hertz recently moved with his family from Southern CA to West Bend. George Kaczmarek transferred from Badger Det. Swearing in will be conducted for both at the June meeting. Arthur Smith attended as a potential new Member. Alicia Sweetland, and Stephanie Bertram were in attendance along with their families to receive Scholarship Awards from the Detachment. Ken Unertlaccepted an award for Kyle Thurlow. The Detachment wishes them the best in school and their future endeavors.

# **Reading of the Minutes**

With no corrections to the April Meeting Minutes as posted in the May Newsletter, Dan Coulter made a motion to accept them as written. Motion seconded by Tim Bertram. Motion passed.

# Paymaster's Report

Roger Cross distributed the April Financial Report to the Members. Jim Krudwig noted that that one of the CD's had been renewed and asked what is the interest rate. The Paymaster stated 5.25% and all CD's are with M&I Bank. With no other questions or comments for the Paymaster Ken Unertl made a motion to accept it as written. Seconded by Jim Ramage. Motion passed. The Paymaster also stated he had received a request for general funds from the Salvation Army. There was no interest by the Membership in donating at this time. If Members are interested in purchasing either of the two remaining Detachment winter jackets contact the Paymaster. The Paymaster will check out obtaining more windbreakers.

#### **Chaplain's Report**

The Chaplain had nothing to add to his report as written in the May Newsletter. Member Gil Lucka noted that Dan O'Toole's mother, in Boston, is ill and that Dan would be absent for awhile to be with her. Our prayers go out to the O'Toole family.

#### Correspondence Received/Delivered

The Adjutant went over the correspondence received this past month from Dept of WI MCL and various other items as noted in his comments in the May Newsletter. A donation request was received from Wisconsin Paralyzed Veterans of America for \$100 to go towards the Wheelchair Games being held in Milwaukee in June. Jason Waier made a motion to support our disabled veterans by donating to this worthy annual event. Dan Coulter seconded. Motion passed. The Adjutant said that he has received the wrist bands for "Operation Freedom" at the Milwaukee County Zoo to be held on July 1st. The number of wristbands available is limited. If interested, contact Jason Waier at 262-623-1417. For additional info on the program of events please call 414-299-9052. The Adjutant said the Det. website is being updated and "refreshed" regularly. Members were asked to check out the changes and let Jason know if it works for them. Some new photos have been added along with a new look to the calendar of events. Go to www.ketmordet.com to see it.

#### **Report of Standing Committees**

**Honor Guard:** Nothing new to report.

Flag History Presentation Team: The FHP Team has been extremely busy during this past month. At the request of Glen Brewer whose son's scout unit was observing, the FHP Team wore the modified Dress Blue "D" uniform for one presentation. This is the uniform that the Color/Honor Guard wears for all their formal activities. Comments were heard that the Team looked very sharp. Several Members stated after the fact that they felt that this was the most professional looking presentation to date and hoped to do it again. Thank You cards for past presentations were received from Peace Church in Kewaskum, Scout Pack 3796 in West Bend and Scout Pack 3760 in Horicon. Donations received from the first two above organizations will be added to the Scholarship Account. Any Member who has not seen a presentation and wants to observe or participate in the future should contact Jim Krudwig. Scholarship: Nothing new to report.

Quartermaster: The Quartermaster passed around the KetMorDet equipment roster that he has been working on and asked Members to verify what Detachment gear they may have. Contact Paul Schleif with any questions or comments.

**VAVS:** Contact the Commandant if interested in volunteering for this position.

**PAO:** Contact the Commandant if interested in volunteering for this position.

**Fundraising:** Fundraising season is upon us. The first fundraiser is at Walmart/Pick-n-Save in Saukville on Memorial Day Weekend. Additional dates are: June 4th, and 5th at Miller Park prior to the Brewer/Cubs games, and Walmart in West Bend on June 29th, 30th and July 1st. Sign up sheets are available. If you were not present at the Meeting but are interested in helping at these events, contact John Stern. If enough Members can not be mustered for an event it will have to be cancelled. Remember this is how the Detachment gets the money it needs to function so YOUR HELP is needed.

**Newsletter:** The Editor asked if all the Members had received their Newsletter. Bios are still needed on several Members for historical purposes. Contact Jim Krudwig to get yours completed. The Newsletter Editor will be sending in KetMorDet's submission for the annual National MCL Newsletter competition. There are certain formatting requirements that National MCL wants in a Newsletter. The Editor feels that many of these requirements are for the convenience of those judging the newsletters and do not necessarily make it a better Newsletter. We have tried to make the Kettle Moraine Marine Newsletter a comprehensive and interesting document for all of our Members and it will not be changed simply to make it easier to be judged at National HQ. If we do not win the competition, at least we know that we have done our best.

Color Guard: Sign up sheets were on hand for the Memorial Day Parade in West Bend. Roger Cross also had a sign up sheet for Members to ride in his "Marine Corps red" Dodge pickup during the parade. Ted Conde asked if the Detachment would like to take part in the Veterans Plaza dedication at the Old Courthouse Museum immediately following the Memorial Day Parade in West Bend. The Color Guard Commander was not present to answer this request. Paul Schleif stated he would liaison between Terry Vrana, the parade coordinator, and the Color Guard Commander and see if this could be done. Ted Conde also stated that the Veterans Plaza is also getting a new Memorial. With this it would be possible to get a KetMorDet stone added at the grounds. More info will be available later on the stone.

Waubeka is again holding a Flag Day Parade on June 10th and this year are honoring Vietnam Veterans. Members wishing to be recognized can call 692-2398 for more info.

#### **Old Business**

Jim Krudwig had been asked to see if arrangements could be made for a Marine Band to perform in West Bend on the same weekend that the Marine Band will be marching in the annual Allenton parade. During the April meeting, he went over the info. A Marine Band is available for that weekend in August. The Commandant stated that, at the April Meeting it was voted to "go ahead with the planning and schedule this event". However, since the April Meeting, the Commandant has contacted several Members to liaison with the Band to have them perform a concert in West Bend. No one from KetMorDet was willing or able to lead the project to have a concert in West Bend. The Allenton Parade group was simultaneously arranging for the Band to be in their parade. The Detachment voted at the April meeting to help the Allenton Parade group with their getting the Marine Band for the parade. Dan Coulter, the Det representative to the Allenton Parade group, stated he has obtained initial numbers of around \$5,700.00 for food/lodging for the Band for the event. KetMorDet would be responsible for HALF of that (\$2,850.00). Dan will have more info at the next Meeting.

Jim Tuohy, National Judge Advocate, has sent out a message stating "Copies of Members' DD214 are not to be retained by the Detachment, Dept, or any of its Officers. They are to be verified and immediately returned to the Veteran." KetMorDet Members wishing to have their copies returned to them need to contact the Adjutant prior to the Aug. Meeting. After that they will be destroyed.

# **New Business**

Member John Fleischman's niece, Rhonda Krueger, has Stage Four cancer and a fundraiser is being held July 28th to help pay for her treatment. Jason Waier made a motion to help support the niece of one of our Members and donate \$100 to that fundraiser. George Wujcik seconded. Motion passed.

Jim Krudwig made a motion to clarify how the Major/Corp Account funds are to be used. He stated that when he formed that committee in July 2005, the intention was not to limit it to only the Color and Honor Guard but was set up to be used to purchase equipment and uniforms for all of the Detachment functions which has included the Flag History Presentation equipment. Gil Lucka seconded. Glen Brewer stated that this motion should wait until the Maj/Corp Chairman was present. Doug Duffin replied that it should not matter whether or not the Chairman was present as it is a Detachment fund and its use should be voted for by the Members. Tim Bertram asked why this is even being brought up. The Commandant stated it is for clarification on how the account is to be used. Dan Coulter asked for an amendment to the motion to defer this until next month so the Officers can discuss it and bring it forward to the Members at the June Meeting. Motion voted on and passed.

It has come to the attention of the Officers that the original parade/display flags used by the Detachment are "indoor" flags (with fringe) and should not be used for outdoor events. Outdoor parade flags (without fringe) should be purchased. Glen Brewer displayed a sample of the new wooden pole and flag which could be used. The new pole was found to be unsatisfactory for use, and more research will be done and the findings will be reported at the June Meeting.

#### **Meeting Closed**

With no further business to be conducted, the Commandant 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 1015 hrs. The next meeting will be held at 0900 hrs on June 16th, 2007 at the Trenton Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted, Jason Waier, Adjutant

#### In Iraq, Semper Fidelis

Despite the public's waning support for the war, Marines' morale remains high. Extracted from an article by Tony Perry who is a staff writer for The Times. June 3, 2007 (Taken from the internet).

UNDER a sweltering Iraqi sky, the general asked for questions from his troops. Many were reluctant, but one stepped forward. Marine LCpl Jack Kessel, 19, of Raleigh, NC, asked about something that had been gnawing at him as he and his buddies go about the dangerous business of winning hearts and minds in Al Anbar Province. "How are we supposed to fight a war when people back home say we've already lost?" he asked.

It was a question that Marine LtGen James N. Mattis had anticipated as he toured Marine outposts in the sprawling province that is the home of the Sunni Arab insurgency in Iraq. After four years of war - and nearly 900 Marines killed and 8,000 wounded - many Marines believe they have begun to drive a wedge between the civilian populace and the insurgency in Al Anbar. But at the same time, troops are keeping an eye on what is happening at home, where polls show that an increasing percentage of Americans feel the war was unnecessary, has been poorly executed and is unwinnable, if not already lost. In January, for instance, a Times poll showed that 62% of Americans thought the US should not have invaded Iraq - up from 43% in Nov 2003.

During the Vietnam War, the growing opposition of the American public to the war had a devastating effect on troops in the field. Drug problems among soldiers, race-related disputes - and even faltering support among the troops themselves for their own fundamental mission - could often be traced back to the fact that the public had turned against the war.

So what is the effect on troop morale of declining public support for the war in Iraq and the increasingly contentious political debate at home? Like so much about modern military life, the answer may see counterintuitive to civilians. After my fifth trip to Iraq to report on Marines, I've concluded that, at least among Marines, morale remains high - high not despite the public's disaffection with the war but possibly because of it. The declining poll numbers and rising political upheaval appear to have driven Marines closer together. Marines, for instance, continue to exceed their reenlistment goals; recent study showed that those who have deployed twice to Iraq are more likely to reenlist again than those who have only gone once - and that the Marine least likely to reenlist is one who has not deployed to Iraq.

Whether the same spirit can be found among Army and National Guard troops is for others to determine. Their missions, histories and institutional cultures are different than the Marines. Young men join the Marines with the expectation - many even with the fervent hope - that they will deploy quickly to a war zone. That's not true for, say, the National Guard, and that kind of motivation doesn't waver with public opinion polls.

As Cpl Alexander Lengle, 21, of Lancashire, PA, said of the debate that dominates much of the news: "That's political. It's not our part of the spectrum. We've got a job to do." At chow halls at the larger bases, there are usually televisions at opposite ends, one set to sports, one to news. The TV showing sports gets the larger audience, particularly among the young enlisted troops. "It's like noise in the background," LCpl Jacob Homes, 21, of Tallahassee, FL, said of the news channels.

When the 2ndBn, 5thMar, needed volunteers to extend their enlistments so they could return to Iraq and mentor younger Marines making their first deployment, the talk was not of foreign policy but of loyalty to each other. Two hundred Marines - 25% of the battalion - volunteered to return to war-torn Ramadi. "It's not for everybody, but it's definitely for me," said Sgt Kemp Miller, 25, of Philadelphia, making his third deployment. In my many discussions with Marines, LCpl Kessel was one of the few who raised the issue of support for the war. He said he had picked up negative vibes about the war while he was back home. Other Marines acknowledged that they'd heard the same kind of comments but said they had dismissed them. Kessel however said he kept worrying.

Keeping up morale is a top-priority mission among Marine brass and SNCO's, who know that alienation can set in quickly and spread rapidly. During the assault on Baghdad in 2003, young Marines frequently asked reporters whether the public backed their mission. At the time, the answer was yes, overwhelmingly so. Many of the Marines were the sons of Marines or soldiers who had fought in Vietnam. They had grown up hearing tales - real or apocryphal - of returning veterans being scorned. There seemed to be a palpable fear among the Marines that the same fate might await them if the public changed its mind about the mission.

Instead, something different happened. As support for the war waned, support for the troops increased. A tidal wave of paperback books, goodie boxes of candies and other things and banners done by schoolchildren has engulfed the troops. At Christmastime, so many stockings and presents arrived for the troops that the loot had to be distributed to Iraqi children to keep it from clogging warehouse space.

It's a point that Mattis, the Commanding General of Marine Forces Central Command, made repeatedly as he talked recently to the troops. "There's a lot of dissent about the war, but there's zero dissension about the troops," he said. He used the example of Sen. Joseph R. Biden Jr (D-DE), possibly President Bush's most ardent opponent on the war but also the most aggressive member of Congress in getting money for a safer combat vehicle. Mattis told the Marines to believe their own eyes rather than news accounts on the issue of who is winning the war. Don't be discouraged by the politicians and pundits who haven't been to Iraq and don't understand, he said. "Don't hold it against them," he said to Kessel and the others gathered at a base in Habbaniya. "The only reason they have that freedom of speech is because you'll fight for it."

Kessel nodded. "I understand now," he said later.

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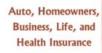
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Left: Color Guard Members Barry Oelerich and Hugo Straub at the Memorial Day Wreath Ceremony following the West Bend Memorial Day Parade.

Right: Color Guard
Members Cal
Racine, Glen
Brewer, Charlie
Keller, Roger
Cross, and Hugo
Straub for the "We
sing of America"
program held at St.
Gabriel's Church in
Hubertus.



**Flag History Team Members:** Wearing the modified Dress Blue "D" uniform were Glen Brewer, Hugo Straub, Rollie Moericke, and Carl Heiman at Greentree School with Cub Scout Pack 2782.



**Flag History Team Members:** Hugo Straub, Doug Duffin, Ken Unertl, Fritz Montag, Carl Heiman, and Jim Krudwig, following a Presentation at Peace Church in Kewaskum May 16th.







Right: Gil Lucka, Ken Unertl, Dan Coulter, Carl Heiman, Doug Duffin, and Jim Krudwig following a Flag History Presentation for the American Legion Aux. in Hubertus May 19th.



#### KETMORDET OFFICER REPORTS FOR JUNE 16TH MEETING

NOTE: In order to expedite the regular meeting time, the Commandant has requested that all Officers and Committee Chairs provide their input to himself or the Newsletter Editor by the first weekend of each month. Should a Member have something to share, it can also be included but will be edited. This will enable the Members to review items of interest and reduce discussion at the meetings. Additionally, it provides any Member who cannot make it to a regular meeting, the opportunity to remain abreast of Detachment Activities.

# **COMMANDANT JOHN STERN REPORTS:**

**Honor Guard:** The Honor Guard participated in two funerals this past month. 10 May was for Marine David L. Chartrand with Members: Brewer, Cross, Keller, Krause, Oelerich, Straub, and Wallace participating. 4 June was for soldier Fredrick H. Weiss with Members: Brewer, Cross, Keller, Montag, and Stern participating. Payment has not yet been received but will be deposited in the Major/Corporate account when it arrives.

Care Packages: A total of fifteen care packages were mailed in May. Total weight of packages sent for the month was 96 pounds. Recipients included: GySgt Bill Elver (Wisconsin Marine), Sgt A.D. Gibbs, Sgt T.J. St. Romain, Cpl B.E. Adams, Cpl K.A. Butler, L/Cpl M. Carter, L/Cpl E.J. Cole, Sgt J.R. Jones, SSgt. Roberson, Cpl Tyler Lathrop. (All submitted by Jeff Johnson Wisconsin DVA); Capt Mike Nysse, Spec Bryan Byard, Sgt D. M. Tellefsen. (Former area Marine Recruiter) (All submitted by Jim Krudwig); Lt Tyler Brummond (Submitted by Mike Mason), and Brian Villwock (Submitted by Susan German). Because of these large shipments, more magazines are needed. Members are requested to bring magazines to the next regular meeting.

**Note from the troops:** "Sgt. Stern - Just wanted to drop a line to say thanks for the package you sent. I was running dangerously low on Copenhagen Long Cut but thanks to you and Cpl Johnson, I have been able to get by a few more days. I always give Johnson a hard time about being from Wisconsin and a Packer fan, but those beef sticks make me consider becoming a Packer fan myself. We're doing pretty good over here and we appreciate your support. Sincerely, Sgt Bishop USMC"

The first **fundraiser** of the year was held 25 June at the Wal-Mart and Pick & Save in Saukville. Members Heiman Keller, Krudwig, Racine, Racine, Schleif, Stern, Unertl and Wujcik participated and reported being "well received" by the areas residents.

Sign up sheets will be available at the June membership meeting for the **29 and 30 June and 1 July fundraisers** scheduled for Wal-Mart in West Bend. The detachment is in need of three individuals to serve as OIC as well as 4 participants for each of the three days.

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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#### SR. VICE COMMANDANT BILL WALLACE REPORTS:

The Miller Park Fundraiser on Monday June 4th got off to a delayed start due to rain but with a good crew consisting of Members: Coulter, Oelerich, Wujcik and myself. We managed to end up with a good collection. Good work Marines.

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JR. VICE COMMANDANT GLEN BREWER: Nothing reported.

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# JUDGE ADVOCATE CHARLIE KELLER REPORTS:

Continuing discussion of MCL Insurance coverage and policy.

**Color Guard:** St. Gabriel School Spring and Freedom Concert. All of the eight grades and their parents filled the church. Thanks to the Members who participated: Brewer, Cross, Keller, Straub, Racine, and Schleif (bugler).

West Bend Memorial Day Parade: The KetMorDet Color Guard led the parade of 31 groups. Many thanks to Members: Cross, Heiman, Keller, Montag, Oelerich, O'Toole, Racine, Schleif, Stern and Straub and active Marine Bury for participating.

West Bend 4th of July Parade Sign up sheet will be at the June meeting. I would request that 13 Marines sign up for the parade. Keep July 4th open on your calendar.

Practice: There will be a Color Guard Practice immediately following the June 16th Meeting for all Color Guard personnel.

Note from Lynda DuPuy of St Gabriel's: "I missed you at the end last night I just wanted to tell you thank you for bringing the color guard to the concert last night. It was awesome! I went up to school to talk to the kids about the concert this morning. One little girl told me how proud she felt when you guys were bringing the flag in (she said she had a tickle in her tummy!). Other kids told me how neat it looked. Of course, the veterans I talked to had a lot to say about it too! Our concert would not have been as meaningful without the presence of the Color Guard and the playing of taps. Words simply cannot express the powerful emotions we all felt last night. It was wonderful. We were honored that you were able to join us. Thank you for all of the hard work you put into this to make it happen!

# **ADJUTANT JASON WAIER REPORTS:**

Marines, I had the opportunity to see our Color Guard in action at St Gabriel's Church for a program the Church was putting on and must say it was very impressive looking. I did miss the Memorial Day functions, but am happy to see the Det still made the cover of the June 2nd edition of the West Bend Express News. Great Job! I am glad to see the Allenton Parade Group taking charge of getting the Marine Band here for their Parade, but am still saddened to think we could have had them for a concert in West Bend for no extra cost, other than having someone who had the time/ambition to take charge of it from KetMorDet. Please help out when you can give a little extra time from your busy schedules and help KetMorDet prosper. There are still a few wristbands available for the Zoo (Operation Freedom) on July 1st and I will have them at the June Meeting. I will also have the copies of the DD214's on hand for the Members wishing to have theirs returned. Semper Fi.

#### PAYMASTER ROGER CROSS:

Several Members had indicated at the May regular meeting that they wanted to obtain the light, summer weight, red screen printed KetMorDet windbreaker which the Det pays half the cost and the Member pays the other half (\$10). Several Members also indicated that they wanted the winter weight embroidered jacket which costs \$60 and the Member pays the full cost. Have your size available when ordering (S, M, L, XL, 2XL).

The following Members have not yet renewed their membership with the months due noted:

Brian Rahn - Jan Tim Bertram - May (Charter member) Todd Meeks - May (Charter Member)
David Bertling - Apr Colin Bravi - May (Charter Member) Otto Quandt - May (Charter Member)

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#### SERGEANT AT ARMS BARRY OELERICH:

At last month's regular meeting, we missed identifying some of the visitors. So, it is requested that any Member bringing a visitor, introduce that person to me as the Sgt at Arms prior to the meeting. Also, if someone in the meeting area is not accompanied by a Member, it is requested that you point out that person to me so we can establish their purpose for being there. We need to identify their "qualifications" for attending so I can announce that "The quarters are secure and all present are qualified to remain".

#### **CHAPLAIN GEORGE WUJCIK REPORTS:**

Nothing new. I was in charge of the May 26th fundraiser at Saukville. I was assisted by Members: Bertram, Fleischman, Heiman, Montag (and his wife), Racine and Ramage. All went well until it started to rain at about 1430 so we ended the shift at 1500. Thanks to all who helped make the fundraiser a success. Nothing new to report on Scholarships except a few more applications were given out.

# FLAG HISTORY PRESENTATION (FHP) CHAIR JIM KRUDWIG REPORTS:

Since the last report, five FHPS' have been conducted:

May 15th for Cub Scout Pack 2782 at Greentree School, West Bend with, 81 observers present. Participating were FHP Team Members: Brewer, Heiman, Krause, Krudwig, Moericke, Straub and Unertl.

**May 16th for Peace Church, Kewaskum, with 27 observers present.** Participating were FHP Team Members: Duffin, Heiman, Krudwig, Montag, Straub and Unertl. Dinner was provided to the FHP Team.

May 18th for Hartford HealthCare Center, with 26 observers present. Participating were FHP Team Members: Duffin, Heiman, Krudwig, R. Moericke, D. Smith, Unertl and Wallace.

**May 19th for Hubertus American Legion Auxiliary, with 21 observers present.** Participating were FHP Team Members: Coulter, Duffin, Heiman, Krudwig, Lucka, and Unertl.

**May 24th for Eden Elementary School, with 224 observers present.** Participating were FHP Team Members: Duffin, Heiman, Krudwig, Lucka, Montag, and Unertl.

**Cards from the Eden Elementary Students:** Twenty elaborate hand-made Thank You cards with flags were received from the students with US flags made of crepe paper or drawn out. Extracts from some of the kid's cards read as follows:

"Kettle Moraine Detachment, I really appreciated your coming in and telling us about the American flag and its history. I thought learning about the history of the flag was real cool. There were lots of different flags that I didn't even know ever existed. Thank you so much and thank you for serving out country in many different wars." "Thank You for coming and doing a wonderful assembly. Everyone learned a lot and will appreciate Memorial Day a lot more than before." "I appreciate what you've done for the country and thank you for the roses." "I thought I knew everything about the flags. I guess I thought wrong. Thank you for the rose and for saving the country." "I liked how there is a meaning for each fold on the American flag. I didn't know that there are so many flags for our country". "Thank you for teaching us the history of the different flags of our nation. I think that you should go to parks and talk to kids. I think it was nice of you to answer questions. Thanks for Coming." "I learned a lot from you. I learned that the 48 star flag was the 2nd flag for the longest time and that the 50 start flag was the 1st flag for the longest time. I also learned that the other flags had 13 stripes. Thank you for your support."

**NOTE:** Volunteers (5-7 for each FHP) are needed for FHP's scheduled below. Any Member can participate on the FHP Team. We'll teach you the ropes. Current uniform is the black KetMorDet t-shirt and the red cover. Call Jim at 262-689-5409 for info.

12 June at 1845 - Wayne Crusaders 4H at Wayne School - Call Jim for directions to the school.

27 June at 1845 - Latter Day Saints Church, 120 West Paradise Drive, West Bend

Another **fundraiser** was held at Miller Park on Tuesday, June 5th with excellent results despite only three Members showing up. Thanks go to Members: Heiman, Oelerich and Krudwig for doing a good job.

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27th National Veterans Wheelchair Games will be held June 19-23rd at Midwest Airlines Convention Center, Greendale High School, Grant Park, Whitnall Park, Schroeder YMCA Aquatic Center, AMF Bowlero Bowling Center, Milwaukee County Zoo and Veterans Park. Kids Day is June 22 from 1000 to 1400 at the Milwaukee County Zoo. It is a multi-event sports and rehabilitation program for military service veterans who use wheelchairs for sports competition due to spinal cord injuries, amputations, or certain neurological problems. It attracts more than 500 athletes each year which makes it the largest annual wheelchair sports event in the world. FREE ADMISSION. Help support the disabled Vets by attending and rooting them on. For additional info, go to: www1.va.gov/vetevent/nvwg/2007/default.cfm

Names - The Company Gunnery Sergeant noticed a new Marine walk by one day and barked at him to get into his office.

"What is your name, Marine?" was the first thing the Gunny asked the new guy.

"John," the new guy replied.

The Gunny scowled, "Look, I don't know what kind of bleeding-heart, liberal, pansy stuff they're teaching Recruits in Boot Camp today, but I don't call anyone by their first name. It breeds familiarity and that leads to a breakdown in authority. I refer to my Marines by their last name only - Smith, Jones, Johnson - that's all. I am to be referred to as Gunnery Sergeant. Do I make myself clear?"

"Yes, Gunnery Sergeant!"

"Good! Now that we got that straight, what is your last name?"

The new guy signed and said, "Darling, My name is John Darling, Gunny!"

"Okay, John, the next thing that I want to tell you is......"

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# QUOTATION OF THE MONTH

"The willingness with which our young people are likely to serve in any war, no matter how justified, shall be directly proportional to how they perceive veterans of early wars were treated and appreciated by our nation." *George Washington* 

**FLAG ETIQUETTE** - The following has been extracted from US Code Collection, Title 4, Chapter 1.7 (a) The US flag, when carried in a procession with another flag or flags, should be either on the marching right; that is, the flag's own right, or, if there is a line of other flags, in front of the center of that line.

#### HOW TO OBTAIN US FLAGS FLOWN OVER THE CAPTIOL IN WASHINGTON. D.C.

A **NEW** United State Flag with a personally signed certificate marking the day it flew over the US Capitol is available at cost (including postage) from the office of Congressman Jim Sensenbrenner who represents Wisconsin's Fifth Congressional District in the US House of Representatives. Get one for your parents, children, grandchildren or friends. There is a limit of three nylon flags per household. The cost for each flag ordered is: 3' x 5' for \$17.02; 4' x 6' for \$21.52; and 5' x 8' for \$26.02. Purchase with a check or money order payable to the "Sensenbrenner Office Supply Account" 120 Bishops Way #154, Brookfield, WI 53005-6294. Allow 4 to 8 weeks for processing and delivery. Consult http://sensenbrenner.house.gov for latest prices. This is a good deal as it beats store prices. I have one of these flags on my flagpole. Editor

#### WHERE TO GET MARINE FLAGS

**Sgt Grit**, the business that sells all kinds of Marine gear has Marine Flags for sale. You can purchase either single or double sided 3' x 5' nylon Marine Flag suitable for outdoor use for \$39.95 plus shipping. You can get the 4' x 6' nylon flag for \$54.95. Or a 3' x 5" nylon flag embroidered on both sides for \$49.95. They also have Marine flags for your desk, car or motorcycle. Go to www.GRUNT.com and type in Marine Flags or call 866-776-2607 to order by phone. It is suggested that you do not purchase the \$134.95 tribute flag case but rather purchase a similar one locally for about \$21. See Editor.

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#### KETMORDET'S SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Jun 11	Mon	1900	Det Officers Call - MPTC West Bend							
Jun 21	Tue	1845	Flag History Presentation, Wayne Crusaders 4RH, Wayne Elem School, Wayne - Black T-Shirt							
Jun 16	Sat	0900	Det. Regular Monthly Meeting, Trenton Town Hall, Hwy 33 East							
Jun 19-	23		National Veterans Wheelchair Games, Milwaukee www1.va.gov/vetevent/nvwg/2007/default.cfm							
Jun 27	Wed	1845	Flag Hist	ory Presenta	ation, Ch	nurch of a	Jesus Christ	of LDS, 120 W. Pa	aradise Drive, West Be	∍nd
Jun 29	Fri	0900	Rose Fundraiser at Walmart, 1515 W. Paradise Dr, West Bend							
Jun 30	Sat	0900	"	"	"	"	II .	II		
Jul 01	Sun	0900	"	"	"	"	"	II .		
Jul 04	Wed		Parade - West Bend - Info to follow at the June meeting.							
Jul 16	Mon	1900	Det Officers Call - MPTC West Bend							
Jul 21	Sat	0900	Det. Regular Monthly Meeting, Trenton Town Hall, Hwy 33 East							

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