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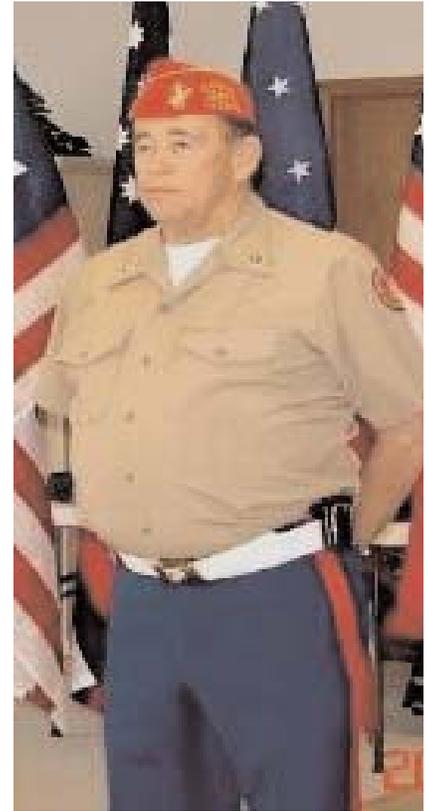
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We have lost a dedicated Member.

Douglas Duffin passed away on Feb 10 2008.

He was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received during the Viet Nam War.

A Life Member of Kettle Moraine Detachment and on both the Color Guard and Flag History Presentation Team.

The Detachment's Honor Guard participated during his funeral home visitation on Feb 14 and funeral on Feb 15th.

Doug was the first Member of Kettle Moraine Detachment to pass on, and is currently serving as a Marine liaison at the pearly gates of heaven.

Semper Fi, Marine

Our next Meeting is 0900 hrs Saturday March 15th, 2008 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 February 16th, 2008
23 Members present

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

The Jr Vice Commandant called the meeting to order at 0900. The Sgt at Arms presented the Colors, and the Chaplain said the opening prayer.

Roll Call of Officers

Commandant: John Stern excused
Sr. Vice Commandant: Bill Wallace excused
Jr. Vice Commandant: Glen Brewer present
Adjutant: Jason Waier present
Judge Advocate: Charlie Keller excused

Paymaster: Roger Cross present
Chaplain: Paul Bollmann present
Sgt at Arms: Barry Oelerich present
Historians: Jason Waier present
" Jim Krudwig excused

Other Members in Attendance

Bertling, Greg	Bertram, Tim	Chantelois, Steve	Conde, Ted	Erdman, Don
Fleischman, John	Heiman, Carl	Huf, Wally	Kaczmarek, George	Krause, John
Link, Paul	Montag, Fred	O'Toole, Dan	Rodriguez, Sean	Schlieff, Paul
Straub, Hugo	Unertl, Ken	Wujcik, George		

New Members/Guests

Marines SSgt Hall, and Sgt Pittsley from the West Bend Recruiting Office, and Judy Steffes from the West Bend Daily News were guests.

Reading of the Minutes

Paul Bollmann made a motion to accept the January Minutes as posted in the February Newsletter. Tim Bertram seconded and motion passed. Danny O'Toole commended the Adjutant on the completeness of the Minutes as posted every month.

Paymaster's Report

The Paymaster distributed the Financial Report to the Members and went over the prior month's expenditures and funds' transfers. The long sleeve shirts have been ordered for the Honor/Color Guards and FHPTeam. The US Flag and MCL sleeve patches and other items needed to finish the shirts will be ordered by the Paymaster. John Fleischmann asked if the Newsletters size would change if all the ad spots could not be filled. The Paymaster stated that there are still 4 ads that need to be filled, but doubted that the Detachment would let the Newsletter falter in size or content due to these ads not being filled. The Editor was not present to discuss this at the Meeting, but those present stated they felt the same way. Anyone who learns of any potential donors should contact Jim Krudwig. Any Member obtaining three ads will receive the new forest green KetMorDet logo t-shirt. Tim Bertram inquired about the purchase of cigarettes in the Financial Report? The Detachment does receive some special requests from the troops overseas, and this was a request from a Detachment Member, Chris Moericke, who is currently in Iraq. The red winter jackets that were ordered in December are in and can be picked up, contact Roger Cross. Greg Bertling made a motion to accept the February Paymasters' Financial Report. Seconded by Paul Link and passed.

Chaplain's Report

Charter Member Doug Duffin passed away February 10th at the Aurora Medical Center in Hartford. He had been battling heart trouble for some time with a 15% effective heart and was on the transplant list. The Detachment sends its condolences to his wife Bonnie and the Duffin Family. Rollie Moericke's lady friend of over 30 years passed away on February 12th. The Detachment sends its thoughts and prayers out the Moericke family for their loss. The Chaplain again requested that he be informed if any Member or his family is either ill or in need of help. Tim Bertram stated he had not received any notice of Doug Duffin's passing. Each of the Officers had a section of the Membership list to contact. It is imperative that Members look over their contact info on the Attendance Roster which is circulated at the regular meeting each month. This is what is used to call or contact Members quickly. Be certain to make sure your info is correct. It appeared that a couple of things had gone awry causing Tim not get the word on Doug's passing.

Correspondence Received/Delivered

The Adjutant had a copy of Doug Duffin's obituary for Members to read. He read an e-mail from Member Chris Moericke in Iraq thanking the Detachment for the care package and stated they are doing well and he hopes to send pictures soon. The Adjutant will send a death notice to Marine Corps League National Headquarters pertaining to Doug Duffin. The absent Commandant's comments which were not received in time for posting in the February Newsletter were also read.

Report of Standing Committees

Honor Guard: Don Erdman was the Honor Commander for Doug Duffin's funeral and will prepare a report for the Newsletter. There will also be an Honor Guard on February 18th for Navy Veteran Dean Patrick Dunn. A report will follow.

Flag History Presentation Team: The next FHP is scheduled for St. Peter's Church in Slinger on March 2nd following Brunch at 1100. Participating FHP Team Members and their families are invited to the Brunch.

Quartermaster: Nothing new to report.

VAVS: Contact the Commandant if interested in volunteering for this position. Members are needed to make occasional contacts with Marines at the VA Hospital in Milwaukee and the WI Veterans Homes at Union Grove and King.

PAO: Danny O'Toole has sent out reminder notices to local funeral homes in the county advising that KetMorDet is available for Honor Guard details.

Fundraising: John Fleischman stated that the Kewaskum Piggly Wiggly now uses a lottery system for fundraising dates. He has submitted the Det name to determine if/when a brat fry can be held. The Commandant is looking for a Member to take on the position of Fundraising Chairman for the coming year. It is not a difficult job and performs a valuable service for the Det. This position entails setting up fundraising sites and dates. If interested contact John Stern. The Commandant said that fundraisers may not be held during the big holiday weekends this coming season. Hopefully this would get more Members out to help during the fundraisers which keep the Det. solvent.

Newsletter: The Editor is still looking for bio's on all Members who have not previously provided the info. The bio's do not take long to do and help the other Det. Members get to know you better. The bio's can also be used later for historical purposes. Contact Jim Krudwig to get yours done today.

Color Guard: Nothing new to report.

Picnic: Paul Bollmann has reserved site #1 at Ridge Run County Park on April 26th for the Detachment Picnic. Going with an estimate of 100 attendees, the approximate cost would be around \$550. This would include the food and drinks. Although there will be an alcohol permit for the picnic, the Detachment will not supply the alcohol. The date is tentative at this point due to the weather. More will be reported later.

High Ground: The Paymaster has been in contact with the Management at High Ground regarding the purchase of the Legacy Stone that was approved by the Membership at the January Meeting. The Color Guard has been requested to accompany the Paymaster and Color Guard Commander for the presentation. Possible dates for the ceremony were discussed. Paul Bollmann made a motion to move the regular Meeting date to the 2nd Sat in May (May 10th) and then go to High Ground on May 17th for the Legacy Stone presentation. John Fleischman seconded the motion and it passed. Accordingly, the May Meeting will be May 10th, - mark the change on your calendar. A Registry Book will be Included with the Legacy Stone with info about KetMorDet thus allowing the general public to learn about Det #1203. Members are asked to consider items that should be placed in the Registry Book and bring those ideas with them to the March Meeting. A sign up sheet will be available at future Meetings for those wishing to participate. Tim Bertram made a motion to pay for the fuel for those participating in the presentation ceremony. Don Erdman seconded and motion passed.

Old Business

The Commandant submitted a grant application to Walmart, but has not heard if it has been approved. Info to follow.

Kevin Koski, Ken Heinecke, and Richard Schlice are a minimum of 3 months late on payment of dues. Det. Officers have made several attempts to contact these Members to determine their intentions, whether or not they plan to remain in the Det. Despite several attempt to contact them, there has been no response from those Members. Don Erdman made a motion to drop these Members from the roster. Motion seconded by Greg Bertling and passed.

New Business

The 2008 Officer Elections were held at the beginning of the Meeting. All of the nominated Marines were elected to their respective positions and will be sworn in at the March 15th Meeting.

KetMorDet presented ten new 3X5 American Flags to Sgt. Pittsley from the West Bend Marine Recruiting Office. The new flags will be exchanged for old unserviceable flags that Sgt Pittsley finds while out conducting recruiting business. Reporter Judy Steffes was on hand to report on the presentation for the West Bend Daily Newspaper.

Good of the League

Paul Bollmann brought in coffee and donuts for the Members. Instead of just showing up once a month for the regular meeting, come in early and share some time with your fellow Marines exchanging sea stories or whatever. Let's use this time to get to know each other a little better.

Danny O'Toole stated that Daniel Waschow has attained the rank of Eagle Scout and there will be an investiture ceremony for him on March 2nd.

Meeting Closed

With no further business to be conducted, the Jr Vice Commandant gave the order to close the Meeting. The Sgt at Arms retired the Colors; the Chaplain gave the closing prayer. The Jr. Vice Commandant thanked all for attending and asked that they secure new members.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jason Waier, Adjutant

GIVING HONOR WHEN HONOR IS DUE - Shutting them up politely

Taken from the internet - Some good answers given by Americans during meetings in Europe.

When in England at a fairly large conference, Colin Powell was asked by the Archbishop of Canterbury if our plans for Iraq were just an example of "empire building" by George Bush.

He answered saying, "Over the years, the United States has sent many of its fine young men and women into great peril to fight for freedom beyond our borders. The only amount of land we have ever asked for in return is enough to bury those that did not return." It became very quiet in the room.

www.snopes.com says that the above incident as reported is true.

Then there was a conference in France where a number of international engineers were taking part, including French and American. During a break, one of the French engineers came back into the room saying "Have you heard the latest dumb stunt Bush has done? He has sent an aircraft carrier to Indonesia to help the tsunami victims. What does he intend to do, bomb them?"

A Boeing engineer stood up and replied quietly: "Our carriers have three hospitals on board that can treat several hundred people; they are nuclear powered and can supply emergency electrical power to shore facilities; they have three cafeterias with the capacity to feed 3,000 people three meals a day, they can produce several thousand gallons of fresh water from sea water each day, and they carry half a dozen helicopters for use in transporting victims and injured to and from their flight deck... We have eleven such ships; how many does France have?"

www.snopes.com could not identify the above story as being true or a hoax.

A U. S. Navy Admiral was attending a naval conference that included Admirals from the U.S., English, Canadian, Australian and French Navies. At a cocktail reception, he found himself standing with a large group of officers including personnel from most of those countries.

Everyone was chatting away in English as they sipped their drinks but a French Admiral suddenly complained that, "Whereas Europeans learn many languages, Americans learn only English." He then asked, "Why is it that we always have to speak English in these conferences rather than speaking French?"

Without hesitating, The American Admiral replied "Maybe its because the Brits, Canadians, Aussies and Americans arranged it so you wouldn't have to speak German." You could hear a pin drop!

www.snopes.com could not either verify or deny the above story.

There is not enough room in the Newsletter to include everything that may be of interest to our Members. For those interested in keeping up with current happenings in the Marine Corps, check out the following websites:

THE STATE OF THE MARINE CORPS! A Speech given by BGen Robert E. Milstead Jr, Director, Marine Corps Public Affairs on 19 Feb 2008 while addressing the **Wounded Warriors Association** in Charlotte, NC

See: <http://themilitaryobserver.blogspot.com>

TEACHING "COMBAT HUNTER" SKILLS describes an article entitled **TEACHING MARINES TO BE LIKE HUNTERS** found in the San Diego Union-Tribune Newspaper on Feb 29, 2008 by Rick Rogers, Staff Writer.

See: <http://signonsandiego.com> >News>Military-Teaching Marines to be like hunters

HOW MARINES ARE PREPARING FOR HYBRID WARS from the Armed Forces Journal by Frank Hoffman

See: <http://www.armedforcesjournal.com/2006/03/1813952>

Easter Trivia

Easter is always the 1st Sunday after the 1st full moon after the Spring Equinox (which is March 20).

This dating of Easter is based on the lunar calendar that Hebrews used to identify Passover, which is why it moves around on our Roman calendar.

Based on the above, Easter can actually be one day earlier (March 22) but that is pretty rare.

This year is the earliest Easter any of us will ever see the rest of our lives! And only the most elderly of our population have ever seen it this early (95 years old or above). And none of us have ever, or will ever, see it a day earlier! Here are the facts:

The next time Easter will be this early (March 23) will be the year 2228 (220 years from now). The last time it was this early was 1913 (so if you're 95 or older, you are the only ones that were around for that!) The next time it will be a day earlier, March 22, will be in the year 2285 (277 years from now). The last time it was on March 22 was 1818. So no one alive today has or will ever see it any earlier than this year!



Jr Vice Commandant Glen Brewer presents new American Flags to Sgt Pittsley at the February Meeting. The flags will be exchanged for old unservicable flags that our local Marine Recruiters find while they are out in the community.



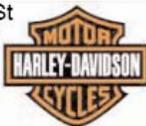
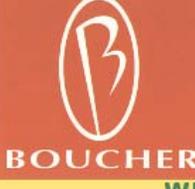
Don Erdman being presented his life Membership pin and Certificate by Commandant John Stern at the January Meeting.



Several Members share some time drinking coffee and catching up with each other before the February Meeting. A few "sea stories" may have been passed.



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KETMORDET OFFICER REPORTS FOR MARCH 2008

In order to expedite the regular meeting time, the Commandant has requested that all Officers and Committee Chairs provide their input to the Newsletter Editor at least two weeks before the next meeting. Members are also welcome to submit something. This will enable Members to review items of interest and reduce discussion at the meetings. Additionally, it provides all Members who cannot make it to a regular meeting, the opportunity to remain abreast of Det. activities. Submissions may be edited.

COMMANDANT JOHN STERN REPORTS:

Honor Guard: The Honor Guard was called out three times in February. Feb 14th and 15th for our Marine Member Douglas D. Duffin. During the visitation on Thursday, Members Brewer, Cross, Erdman, Heiman, Montag Oelerich, Racine, Stern, and Straub rotated positions at the head and foot of the casket and performed a walk through. On Friday's visitation, Members Brewer, Cross, Erdman, Heiman, Montag, and Straub rotated positions at the head and foot of the casket as well as rendering "present arms" as the casket was loaded for transport to Whitewater. Taps, a rifle volley, and flag folding honors were performed graveside in Whitewater by Marines from Madison and a local MCL Detachment. Every Member of KetMorDet was notified of Marine Duffin's death and encouraged to attend either visitation, which several Members did. On Monday, Feb 18th, Members Erdman, Heiman, Montag, Stern, and Straub provided an Honor Guard tribute to WW II Navy veteran Deane P. Dunn. Services provided included rotating positions at the head and foot of the casket, a walk through, rifle volley, and Taps. Four polished cartridges and a challenge coin were presented to the family. US Navy Reserve personnel provided flag folding honors.

Support the Troops Packages: One package was sent to KetMorDet Member Sergeant Chris Moericke. Now that Marine Reserve Unit F/2/24 out of Milwaukee has been deployed to Iraq, I expect these shipments to increase. Marines, remember that I need ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION BEFORE SENDING PACKAGES. Name and full military address of recipient. Name of the person submitting the request and relationship to the military member. And finally, an e-mail address to determine rotation date of the military member and any personal needs.

Notes from the Troops: None received during the month of February.

A Few Good Men: The Det. is in need of an individual to assume the post of Judge Advocate. I encourage all Members to think about filling this position and announce your intentions to the Commandant. If Members are unsure of what the position entails, contact me. Along with the Judge Advocate position, the Det. is still in need of a Veterans Affairs, Veterans Service, and Fundraising Officers. The Det should be doing a lot more to support our Veterans at the Milwaukee VA Hospital and the WI Veterans Homes at Union Grove and King. If anyone is interested in learning more about these positions, contact me.

Thank You: I wish to thank all Members of the Det. for their hard work and support during the past year. While the Det. has accomplished many things since its inception in June 2005, much more still needs to be done.

SR VICE COMMANDANT (incoming) GLEN BREWER REPORTS: I attended the Eagle Scout Investiture Ceremony for Daniel Waschow on Saturday March 1st. I presented Eagle Scout Waschow with a recognition award on behalf of KetMorDet for his accomplishment. All Det. Members should be on the look out for any Scouts in the area that are close to attaining the Eagle Scout Award and let the Officers know so we can attend and make a presentation.

JR VICE COMMANDANT (incoming) DANNY O'TOOLE REPORTS: Greetings fellow Marines and Navy Corpsmen. This is my first column as Jr Vice Commandant and I would like to thank the KetMorDet Membership for entrusting me with the responsibilities of this office. I hope that my four plus years as a VFW Post Commander will come into play and I can justify your trust by successfully carrying out the duties of Jr. Vice Commandant.

There are many things about this position that I do not know, however, there is one that I am aware of which is recruiting. I joined the Det during its first year, attending the second or third meeting that was held in the bank building in West Bend. Since my first meeting, I have witnessed KetMorDet grow in leaps and bounds with the results being the strong membership numbers that we now enjoy. I have also witnessed Marines attend one or two meetings and then never show up again. There are many reasons for this phenomenon but mostly it is ourselves not doing the old fashioned "meet & greet" with new Marines and Corpsmen that join the Det. I would ask that you work towards increasing the membership numbers this year. This cannot be a single person's job nor can it be a committee job, it must be every Marine and Corpsman's job to constantly be a recruiter. This is not an impossible task. Carry some the Det. ballpoint pens with you all the time. Carry several MCL applications with you all the time (they come to your home each month in the MCL magazine.) We Marines are a funny lot. We usually advertise to the world that we are Marines by wearing USMC baseball caps, T-shirts, jackets, watches, belt buckles, tattoos, or whatever. If you see a proud Marine shouting out to the world that he/she is a Marine, then approach that person, talk up the Det. and go into your recruiting routine. It's as simple as inviting them to the next meeting.

I am looking forward to a year of Det. growth and will be working towards fulfilling my obligation as Jr Vice Commandant. Semper Fi

PAYMASTER ROGER CROSS: Nothing reported.

ADJUTANT JASON WAIER REPORTS: Marines, I would like to thank all those Members that were able to participate in the 2008 KetMorDet election. We had another good turnout this year. I would like to also thank the outgoing Officers for their tireless efforts and work in keeping the Det. running. Congratulations go out to our newly elected Officers and thank you for stepping forward to help guide the Det this year. Be sure to wish: Paul Bollmann, Jim Krudwig, Barry Oelerich, and Robert Ott a good old fashioned Happy Birthday the next time you see them. Semper Fil

SERGEANT AT ARMS (incoming) DON ERDMAN REPORTS: Douglas Duffin, former United States Marine and Life Member of KetMorDet, passed away on February 10th, 2008. As I approached Shimon Funeral Home in Hartford, WI, I noticed that the Marine Corps Flag was flying. That seemed very appropriate, but not unusual, because several other times that I've driven past Shimon, I have always seen our colors flying. An Honor Guard was provided by MCL Det 1203 on Thursday evening, Feb 14th from 1700 to 1900 and Friday morning, Feb 15th.

At the funeral home, two Det. Honor Guard Members took their positions; (one at the head and one at the foot) of the casket) in a military manner and were relieved on a 15-minute watch rotation by two other Members then taking the post. The changing of the Honor Guard was done very well with good facing movements and with pride. "Eyes were locked and forward" from "attention" to "parade rest". I was approached by a retired Air Force Veteran who commented on how professional, sharp and squared away the Honor Guard looked. He was also impressed through his years of service at how our Honor Guard conducted themselves. He said that he had always noticed how we displayed our Marine pride and conducted ourselves with military bearing. I thanked him for his comments and advised him that the KetMorDet Honor Guard is available to provide this service for any veteran from any branch of service. I passed his comments on to the other Honor Guard Members present there as well as the membership at our Feb 16th regular meeting.

At 1900, the Honor Guard and other Members from KetMorDet. along with the Hartford VFW Post Members, offered our condolences to the family. Each of us rendered a slow hand salute to Doug.

On Friday morning, I paid my personal respects to Doug and noticed on his suit collar lapel that he had a pin with the crossed US Flag and Marine Corps Flag. His red MCL cover was next to his folded hands. At 0900, the Honor Guard again took up the positions just as the previous evening for 20-minute watches until 1000. Taking up our rifles as the sermon was ending; we took up our position outside the front door of the funeral home along with two Hartford VFW Post Members. We "dress right dressed" and went to "at ease". At the end of the service as the casket approached the front door, I called the Detail to "attention" and ordered "present arms" until the casket was put inside the hearse and the doors were closed. I ordered "port arms", then "left face" "forward march" and the Honor Guard left the area. Doug Duffin's body was taken to Whitewater, WI where the rest of the honors were to take place. Note that Doug had received the Purple Heart at the 2005 Washington County Veterans Day Ceremony for wounds received while serving during the Viet Nam War. He was a Member of both the KetMorDet Honor Guard and Flag History Presentation Team. "Once a Marine, Always a Marine".

CHAPLAIN PAUL BOLLMAN: Nothing reported.

FLAG HISTORY PRESENTATION TEAM COMMANDER JIM KRUDWIG REPORTS: A FHP scheduled for St. Peter Church, Slinger, Sunday Brunch on March 2nd was cancelled at the last minute as not enough church members had committed to attend. My thanks to the FHP Team Members who had volunteered to participate in that aborted FHP. See the KetMorDet Schedule of Events on the last page for future FHP's

NEWSLETTER: It appears that Det. Members have lost interest in supporting our monthly Newsletter. We have not obtained a full sheet of ad donations for 2008. It is interesting that we have 28 ads that go for an annual donation of \$100 and cannot fill them all by the more than 50 Members in the Det. When I initially set-up the Newsletter, the intention was to keep it self-supporting so that other funds raised by the Det could be used to support our charities and other Det. needs. The money donated for the 28 ads pays for printing and postage, sometimes up to \$1.75 per copy mailed out. It is sent to the WI State Historical Society, Dept of Veterans Affairs, Wash Co Veterans Service Officer, the West Bend Public Library and other interested parties. Should interest in the Newsletter by Det Members continue to decline, I will have to cut back on its size and content so it can remain self supporting. You can help by obtaining a donation for an empty ad block.

With the passing of Marine Member Doug Duffin, it was unfortunately realized that there was no BIO on Doug. We need Member Bios' for historical purposes in that we can no longer maintain DD214's since a Member complained to National MCL about our keeping those records whether safeguarded or not. Actually, it was later learned that the complaining Member had never served 90 days of continued active service and accordingly could not be issued a DD214. Interesting thing was that he never provided any BIO info on himself either.

All Members have repeatedly been asked to provide basic data and a few photos of when they were young, skinny, dedicated, hard charging Marines and Corpsman so their Bio can be prepared. So, one more appeal is being made for Members to get their Bio on record. **Those KetMorDet Members who have not provided basic BIO info are:**

Greg Bertling	Glen Brewer	Mark Bustamante	Steve Chantelois	Ted Conde	Gil DeLaurier	Don Erdman
John Fleishman	Michael Fusek	Walter Huf	George Kaczmarek	Jonesy Korth	John Krause	Paul Link
Jerry Lorenz	Gil Lucka	Glen Mathews	Andy Moericke	Bob Ott	Rory Ott	Russ Peck
Russ Petranec	Brian Rahn	Sean Rodriguez	Hugo Straub	Tom Timblin	John Torinus	Mike Winicki

INDEPENDENCE DAY QUIZ - How much do you know? (Printed with permission of Toast.net)

1. **What is the title of the National Anthem?**
A-Oh, Say Can You See B-God Bless America C-America the Beautiful D-Star Spangled Banner
2. **Which of the following rights is guaranteed by the first Amendment?**
A-Right to bear Arms B-Right to Vote C-Freedom of Religion D-All of the above
3. **What is the title of the head of a city government?**
A-Mayor B-Governor C-Chancellor D-Chairman of the Board
4. **Who has the ability to declare war?**
A-The President B-The Secretary of Defense C-The Joint Chiefs D-The Congress
5. **How many full terms may a Senator serve?**
A-1 B-2 C-4 D-There are no term limits for Senators
6. **How many full terms can a President serve?**
A-1 B-2 C-4 D-There are no term limits for Presidents
7. **How many years is full term for a Representative?**
A-1 B-2 C-4 D-6
8. **Which amendment sets the minimum voting age to 18?**
A-1st B-19th C-26th D-18th
9. **Who becomes President if both the President and Vice President die?**
A-The Speaker of the House B-The Secretary of Defense C-The Chief Justice D-The First Lady
10. **On July 4th, 1776, we declared Independence from whom?**
A-Germany B-Great Britain C-Spain D-Rome
11. **How many branches of government do we have?**
A-1 B-2 C-3 D-zero
12. **Which is part of the Judicial Branch at the federal level?**
A- The Supreme Court B-The Congress C-The Senate D-The Presidential Cabinet
13. **Who elects the President of the United States?**
A- The House of Representatives B-The Electoral College C-The Senate D-The State Governors
14. **How many states are there?**
A-10 B-13 C-50 D-100
15. **How many stripes are there on the American Flag?**
A-10 B-13 C-50 D-100
16. **Who was the President of the United States during the Civil War?**
A-Abraham Lincoln B-George Washington C-Ulysses S Grant D-Lyndon B Johnson
17. **Who is the current President of the United States?**
A-Bill Clinton B- George W Bush C-Colin Powell D-Dick Cheney
18. **Who is the current Vice President of the United States?**
A-Bill Clinton B-George W Bush C-Colin Powell D-Dick Cheney
19. **Why did the Pilgrims come to America?**
A-Establish trade route with India B-Set up fur trade with the Natives C-Establish new nation D-Find religious freedom
20. **How many total Senators are there?**
A-10 B-13 C-50 D-100
21. **The Constitution has how many Amendments?**
A-23 B-27 C-31 D-33
22. **How many Amendments have been proposed officially by Congress but never ratified?**
A-None B-1 C-6 D-12
23. **Which of these Amendments is a ratified and current Amendment?**
A-Declaring it illegal to desecrate US Flag B-Equality of Rights regardless of Gender
C-Restricting marriage to between a man and woman D-Prohibiting importing of liquor in states where it is illegal
24. **In what year was the last Amendment ratified?**
A-1868 B-1920 C-1961 D-1992
25. **What is the Official Language of the United States?**
A-None B-Latin C-English D-Esperanto
26. **Who was the first Vice President of the United States?**
A-George Washington B-John Adams C-Thomas Jefferson D-Andrew Jackson
27. **Who said "Give me liberty or give me death"?**
A. Nathan Hale B-Patrick Henry C-John Wilkes Booth D-Thomas Paine
28. **How many Presidents were assassinated while in office?**
A-1 B-2 C-4 D-6
29. **Which of these Presidents was born in Texas?**
A-Dwight D. Eisenhower B-Richard Nixon C-Ronald Reagan D-George W. Bush
30. **How many Presidents have been impeached?**
A-None B-1 C-2 D-4

**Answers will be available at the March 15th regular meeting or on-line at: <http://games.toast.net/independence>
Having 24 correct is passing.....**

INTERVIEW

Marine General Reinwald was being interviewed on National Public Radio (NPR) by a female reporter. The General was about to sponsor a Boy Scout Troop visiting his military installation.

FEMALE INTERVIEWER: So, General Reinwald, what things are you going to teach these young boys when they visit your base?

GENERAL REINWALD: We are going to teach them climbing, canoeing, archery and shooting.

FEMALE INTERVIEWER: Shooting! That's a bit irresponsible, isn't it?

GENERAL REINWALD: I don't see why, they'll be properly supervised on the rifle range.

FEMALE INTERVIEWER: Don't you admit that this is a terribly dangerous activity to be teaching children?

GENERAL REINWALD: I don't see how. We will be teaching them proper rifle discipline before they even touch a firearm.

FEMALE INTERVIEWER: But you are equipping them to become violent killers.

GENERAL REINWALD: Well, you're equipped to be a prostitute, but you're not one, are you?

The radio went silent and the interview end.

A check with www.snopes.com reveals that this story, although a good one, is a hoax that has been circulating on the internet since 1997. There is an Army General version, an Australian version and a Welsh version.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"War is an ugly thing but not the ugliest of things; the decayed and degraded state of moral and patriotic feelings which things that nothing is worth war is much worse. The person who has nothing for which he is willing to fight, nothing which is more important than his own personal safety, is a miserable creature and has no chance of being free unless made and kept so by the exertions of better men than himself." John Stuart Mill 1806-73 in his essay "The Contest in America"

This quote has been showing up frequently on the internet during the past month and is borne out to be true.

KETMORDET'S REPORTED SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 15 Sat	0855	Regular Monthly Meeting, Trenton Town Hall, Hwy 33 East of West Bend, Officer Installation
Apr 4 Fri	Noon	Flag History Presentation, Daughters of the American Revolution luncheon, WI Club Milwaukee
Apr 19 Sat	0855	Regular Monthly Meeting, Trenton Town Hall, Hwy 33 East of West Bend
Apr 26 Sat		Det. Picnic, Ridge Run Co Park, Site #1, West Bend
May 10 Sat	0855	Regular Monthly Meeting, Trenton Town Hall, Hwy 33 East of West Bend
May 15 Thu	1400	Flag History Presentation at Hartford Health Care Center
May 17 Sat		Color Guard to High Ground, Neillsville for Legacy Stone presentation
Jun 10 Sun	1930	Flag History Presentation at Theresa Lions Club with supper, Theresa Town Hall

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